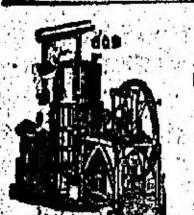
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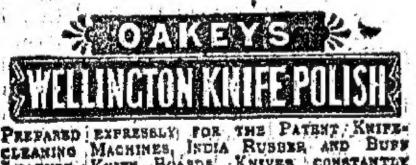
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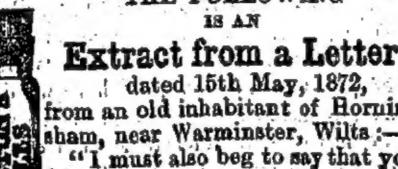
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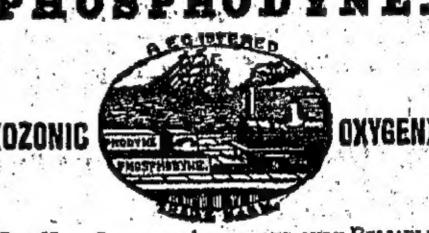
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the 27th inst. For HANKOW .-Per Dago, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 27th inst.

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the 27th inst., instead of as previously notified. Per Sea Gull, at 9.30 a.m., on Tuesday,

the 28th inst. For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS .-Per Java, at 1.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the

28th inst. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per Kwangtung, at 11.80 a.m., on Wednesday, the 29th inst.

For BANGKOK -Per Rajanattumuhar, at 1.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 29th inst. For YOKOHAMA & SAN FRANCISCO .-

Per City of Peking is postponed till further notice. MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet Belgio will be despatched on TUESDAY,

the 28th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as fol-10 WE :-

2 P. M. Registry of Letters ceases. IPHIGENIA, German barque, Captain G. 2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on hoard the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage

until the time of departure. Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Havti). Costa Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route. Hongkong, May 28, 1878.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.-The English Contract Packet Lombardy will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the

1st June. The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, do. :-

Friday, 31st May.— 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Saturday, 1st June.—

A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. [10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FRE of 18 cents extra Postage till

11 A.K., when the Post Office Closes (11.80 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom

Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

Hongkong, May 20, 1878.

-MAILS BY THE FRUNCH PACKET .--The French Contract Packet Sindh will

be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 8th June, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marvia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tesmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helens, and Ascension.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA by this Packet, The following will be the house of closing the Russian privateering "scare" has the Mails, &c, ;==

Friday, 7th June.-5 P.M., Money Order Office slosses Post Office closes except the MICHT BOX, which remains open all night.

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters coases.

11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late 11.10 a.st., Letters (but Letters only) the effect of a defensive and offensive Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,

11.80 A.K., when the Post Office Chosan entirely. Hongkong, May 25, 1878.

Per S. S. Tigre, sailed 25th May, 1878 :-For Marselles, 805 bales Silk, 46 bales Waste Silk, 28 cases Silks, and 690 pkgs. Sundries. - For London, 424 bales Silk, 52 cases Silks, 20 cases Aniseed Oil, 500 halfchests and 7,519 boxes Tes, 8 cases Treaaure (\$38,800), and 132 pkgs. Sundries.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW

RELIGIOUS SERVICES :-S. John's Cathedral, -The Right Reverend Bishop Burdon; The Rev. E. Davys, Acting Colonial Chaplain. Morning Service 11, Evening 5. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month. Military Service .- Rev. J. Benderson, acting Military Chaplain. At 8 s.m. Morning Prayer, &c. Hely Communion on the third Sunday in the month. Union Church.-Morning Service, at

in Chinese, 2-3 P.M. every Sunday, with communion on first Sunday of every month, -Rev. Dr. Eitel. ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH,-ROV. J. Henderson. Service at 6 P.M., every Sunday. All seats free. Morning Prayer and Communion on the First Sunday if

11 A.M., Afternoon, 6 P.M.—Divine Service

each month at 11 a.m. ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH. Rev. A. B. Hutchinson, and Rev. Lo Sam with them. Yuen. (Ail Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer :- Litany, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, at 11 A.M. Bible Class, at 3 P.M. Preaching, at 6.30 P.M. Holy Communion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month. BERLIN FOUNDLING HOUSE. - Service in the German language, by Rev. W. Louis,

every Sunday, at half-past ten A.M., in

the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House,

West Point. Shipping. 10 s.m.—Amoy leaves for Shanghal.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Auotions. Noon. - Sale of Ground, Inland Lot No. 488, East Point, 12.80 p.m .- Sale of Ground, Inland Lots Nos. 817, 819, 458, 459, and 460

East Point. Shipping.

5 p.m. - Emuy leaves for Amoy, do.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, May 28:-2 p.m. - Java leaves for Singapore, &c. Sp.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co. Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

3 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of the China Sugar Refining Co., Limited, at Messrs J., Matheson & Co.'s office. WEDNESDAY, May 29;-Noon. - Kwangiung leaves for Coast

THURBDAY, May 80:-Goods per Belgic undellvered after this date subject to rent,

FRIDAY, May 31:-Goods per Agean undelivered after this date subject to rent. SATURDAY, June 1:-

Noon.-English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. THURSDAY, June 6 :--

Great Admiral leaves for San Francisco.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876. The publication of this issue commenced at 7.15 p.m.

BIRTHS.

At H.B.M.'s Vice-Consulate, Shanghal, on the 18th May, the Wife of CLEMENT F ALLEN, of a Bon. At Sharghal, on the 19th May, the Wife of DAVID GILMOUR, of a Daughter.

MARRIAGE. On the 25th Instant, at St. John's Cathedral, by the Rev. E. Davys, M.A. Acting Colonial Chaplain, assisted by the Rev. J. Henderson, Military Chaplain, ALEXANDER PALMER, eldest Son of A. I McEwen, Esq., of Twickenham, Surrey, to MARION E., 2nd Daughter of the late Capt. George Augustus McNair, 88th Regt. DEATH.

At Tientsin, on the 14th May, Rev. Wit-MAK NELTHORPE HALL, (of the English Methodist Mission), aged 50 years,

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 25, 1878. Judging from the telegram we publish

in another column, it would appear that reached the House of Commons, It really does almost seem as if there had been a concerted attempt made by some parties, chiefly through the medium of the Press, to damage as much as possible British shipping interests, war or no war, by an organised system of "scares." First of all we had reports industriously circulated of some secret treaty between Russia and Japan that on the outbreak of an Anglo-Russian war would have except those to and through Austialia, alliance between Russis and her Asiatic may be posted on payment of a neighbour, efforts being also made to give additional importance to these reports by references to the Japanese rouglads which had just left Engjest land. Then in the same bighly ra-

spectable and influential London journal through which the foregoing alarms were originally given to the public there appeared other mysterious allusions to relations between China and Russia, and the writer did not hesitate to prognosticate that, should war ensue, we should find not only the ports of Japan closed to British cruisers while they remained open to those of Russia but the ports of China also! Next was flashed across the Atlantic various reports and rumours of the activity being displayed in America, by Russian agents. in purchasing and fitting out privateers, of Tchegaran at Constantinople and cheered and of offers on the part of American shipowners to place an endless number of vessels at the disposal of the Czar for privateering purposes. The unkindest cut of all, however, came from, was said, the American flag-ship in China waters, some enlightened gentleman on board that vessel volunteering the information to a New York newspaper that none of the British war vessels on this station could catch five (1) privateers. Russian cruisers he knew in these waters, or, if they did catch them, could cope

We will not charge this last correspondent with having written with a more sinister intention than that of "taking a rise out of John Bull." as he no idle remark when we say that these day. reports and rumours, utterly unfounded as most of them unquestionably are, have not been without their influence on British shipping interests in, at all events, the Far East. More than one instance has come to our knowledge within the last few days of English vessels having been deprived of charters, both in China and Japan, solely on account of those phantom Russian and, shall we add, Japanese and Chinese cruisers and privateers. In one case, in which Chinese were concerned, a European broker was upon the point of concluding the charter of a steamer with a native merchant here when the latter, having accertained that the proposed vessel was British, expressed himself as "too muchee afraid that fighty fighty," broke through the arrangements, and finally chartered another steamer, flying a different flag, at higher rates than he would have paid that the difficulty experienced at the on a future occasion. present time in obtaining supplies of cotton and other goods from England, owing to the prevalence of strikes there. is entirely on account of the warlike days ago. Doubtless the fortification of this harbour has not tended to improve the confidence of the Chinese in the capability of the British navy to sweep the cargo of the disabled steamer. the seas of Russian cruisers and privateers, should any of the latter class of Building contractors are having a good "scare" is by no means confined to the Chinese. In Yokohams at least we happen to know that foreign houses are not above advancing the prospects war as a reason for not engaging British vessels, especially for voyages in the North Pacific. Although we have heard no instances of this kind here we doubt not, in the face of the "alarms" to which we have been referring, some could be fancy, be saved from utter ruin by timely discovered by dint of a little enquiry.

We have already, on several occasions, endeavoured to show how baseless these "scares" are, and deprecated the action of high class London journals for circulating such arrant rubbish as that for instance, respecting a Russo-Japanese or Russo-Chinese alliance. Whether or not Russia endeavours to fit out privateers, and tears in shreds the Declaration of Paris, to which other countries than England and Russia are parties, and whether or not Russia would be able to carry out any privateering scheme in the United States if she decided to treat her solemn engagement with all the European Powers with contempt, it is our firm belief that successful privateering in the present day, directed against such a naval power as England, with her stations and fleets in all quarters of the world, would be impossible. In the old days, when the movements of war vessels were not hampered by the question of coals; when the importance of foreign stations was not so great as it is now when the speed of all men-of-war was upon the chances of wind and weather; or that port to get coal, privateers had incomparably better chances of success. This is what a San Francisco paper, which does not appear to be very pro-British in its views, thinks of the pro-

spects of Russian privateering-As the prospects-almost certainty-of war between England and Russis become more and more prominent, there is, according to a London journal, a pretty well settled purpose on the part of Russia to enter upon a grand scheme of privateering, and make America the fitting out place of the privateers to be engaged in the enterprise. Russia has many ports of her own, recognized nation, has her navy, and is entitled to all the privileges of such. whether she could make of our ports recruiting stations, or fit out privateers, purchase vessels for the purpose, arm and man them therein, may be doubted. In case of the country would be neutral. We could not ant. take sides against our long-time friend. Russia: we could not fight against the specify of most of us, not even if remembering their former siding with our enemies. And that neutrality would pretty effectually prevent the success of this proposed grand everying and working designed than the British apprairs trade:

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. [SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."] (By Southern Route.)

London, 22nd May, 1878. In the House of Commons on a question being put to the Chancellor of the Exchequer respecting the recent cession of territory in Borneo, Sir Stafford Northcote replied that Government had deferred its decision until the arrival of the promoters.

Riotous refugees have entered the Palace the Ex-Sultan Murad V. The rioters refusing to disperse were fired upon by the military.

The Attorney-General in reply to a question in the House of Commons said that up to now, Government had received no information that vessels had been bought in America by Russia, which were destined for

London, 23rd May, 1878. There has been some severe fighting, but with indecisive results in Crete.

Count Schouvaloff has returned from St. Petersburg to London and is to have an inwould doubtless term it, but we make terview with the Marquis of Salisbury to-

> SINGAPORE, 24th May, 1878. The s. s. Khedive has had a collision with the Dutch Mail steamer outside Penang, she received serious injury to her stem and must be docked at Singapore: she will probably arrive a week late at Hongkong.

> > LOCAL AND GENERAL,

THE Rev. J. Kerr Bain, M.A., will conduct the Services at Union Church to-morrow.

WE are informed that the P. M. S. S. City of Tokio leaves Yokohama for this port

WE publish on the sixth page a copious extract, referring to Hongkong, from Mrs for the English vessel. The Chinese Brassey's work, "The Voyage of the even seem to be under the impression Synbeam." The extract will be continued

WE learn that the mails, passengers and treasure ex P. & O. steamer Khedivs were aspect of things. This at least was | to leave Penang for this port in the O. S. S. the idea of a Chinaman in business Achilles this afternoon. The mails will to land their cargos in London before the with whom we were conversing a few therefore not be very much behind time after all. It is satisfactory to know that no damage is believed to have resulted to

vessels appear in spite of international time of it here at present, the fortifications, judge, when the Shanghai left, which of the repairs rendered necessary by the rains, and the gradual displacement of European by Chinese houses, keeping them very busily occupied. We notice that a in London, and if she did not, £4.10 per number of trees have suffered by the late rains; several are lying prostrate below the Kennedy Road at the back of the Oriental | Sugar Refinery. Many of these might, we attention.

> WE are credibly informed (says the Shanghai Courier of the 20th inst.) that a rupture of friendly relations between Germany and China is imminent. There are three German men-of-war in harbour, and others have been sent for. H.E. M. von Brandt the German Minister to the Court Peking, was expected to leave that city to-day. If this be true, and we place the utmost reliance on the source whence reaches us, we suppose it will not be long before we have fuller particulars. We were not aware that any cause of disagreement still existed between the German Government and the Tsung-li Yamen.

> > Police Intelligence. (Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.) 25th May, 1878.

Chan Asing, a hawker, was sent to months' hard labour for stealing some cash from a basket.

Ohu Achoi, a coolie, was sent to 4 months hard labour for stealing a basket of glue much about the same, and depending He was watched by Sergent Toomey and seen to help himself to pieces of glue ou when privateering was recognised among of the basket and at length doubtless grownations, and the commanders of privating impatient at this slow process of acquire teers had not to consider whether they ing possession of the coveted article, took would be permitted to go into this port basket and all. The shopman never missed or that port to get coel privateers had the basket until the defendant was brought back by the sergeant.

> ADVENTURES OF A WATCH. Le Afuk, a shopman unemployed, was charged with illegally selling a watch the property of Mr Gerrard, clerk in the Registrar General's Department.

been pawned for 8 tae's, 6 mace and 4 Guines, having on board an expedition for Lo Mah Kin, interpreter at the No. 2 with a view to the discovery of payable

Police Station, said he pawned the watch | gold deptetts, is on her way up the coasts for the defendant. The defendant, he said, and has passed Cooktown. Amongst the brought the watch to him and said he party are two English gentlemen, Meters had brought it from California, and wanted Neville and Holme, who are travelling for witness to take it for \$30, saying he the pleasure of adventite, and are splette had paid that sum for it. Defendent didly equipped. They have clust two also said that witness might be able practical miners, steady, worthy fellows to dispose of it to some of the European named Armstrong, who come from the Constables. Subsequently he pawned it Wallcond coal mines, New South Walse,

watch in California last December, and themselves. brought is to this Colony last danuary. Tooppoy to make onquires.

CORRESPONDENCE

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL." Hongkong, May 25, 1878. Sir,-I find that H. E. the Governor has been pleased to direct that Monday next shall be observed as the day for celebrating H. M. the Queen's Birthday through the Government departments in the Colony, and that following this action all the Local Banks will accordingly close their doors for public transactions on that day. On behalf of the hard-working mercantile clerks, who are always stooping over their respective desks, some from early morn until day-dawn, may I venture to sak the following query through your medium, Will not heads of firms in general accord the same privilege to them, in commoration of the day? This is an event which will be welcomed by every true Englishman . as well as members of other nationalities. who together will reciprocate in the enthusiastic exclamation of "Long live Victoris the Queen!"

Though late, I am confident the matter will be taken into consideration at the proper quarters. Thanking you for the publicity of the

> I am, do., A CLERK.

To the Editor of the "OHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, May 25, 1878. SIR,-Can nothing be done to prevent our water supply being contaminated by tons of mud and rotten granite? Hongkong is noted for its excellent water, and I think it is a pity that some means is not devised to prevent its reaching our dwellings in the consistency of pea-soup after every shower of rain. If the Government have any regard for the health of the Colony,

they will surely think the matter worth

their serious attention. Yours faithfully,

> Ohina. BHANGHAI.

We hear that the steamer Honan, belonging to the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company, has made a very successful trip to lohang, and that, in all probability, she will continue to run there during the

We hear that the fast-breaking ranks of "the little army engaged in the distribution of relief," as Mr Forrest aptly calls the Missionaries in the North, will be strengthened by two more volunteers, Messrs. Leaman and Mollvaine, who have yolunteered to proceed at once to the famine-

stricken districts. Messrs Macgregor, Gow & Co.'s steamer Glenfinlas, was expected to leave Foochow on Sunday, with new season's teas. It is thought that the first two or three steamers from Hankow will not be down until Thursday, and all their efforts will be required Focchow teas get there, as apart from the Gienfinias, the Priam had previously sailed with a considerable number of half-chests. More than ordinary competition existed at Henkow, at the opening of the season, to obtain shipments for the crack steamersthe Loudoun Castle, Gleneagles and Ocean King. The two latter were the first to heavy three would be first away. It was said that the Ocean King, being a new and untried steamer, was accepting cargo at £5.10 par ton, only on condition that she arrived first ton was to be paid, which would perhaps, give her some degree of preference, as the Loudoun Castle and Gleneagles held out for

£5.10 per ton unconditionally. The Malay seaman, named Batchow, who was sentenced about a month ago to two years' imprisonment in H.B.M.'s Supreme Court for doing grievous bodily harm to Alexander Brash, chief mate of the barque Maid Marian, escaped on Sunday from the British gaol. Some coolies were engaged carrying mud into the goal, and the entrance door was left open. Batchow was then in the yard, and taking advantage of the absence of the gaoler, he availed himself of the opportunity and walked out. His absence was soon discovered, and the police were speeedily communicated with. but up to a late hour on Monday he had succeeded in evading their vigilance. This is the third case of the kind that has occurred during the last two years, two at the British gool, and one at the American gaol. We are grieved to hear of the death of Rev. Mr Whiting at Tai-yuen-fu, on the 25th April. He went thither with Messrs. Hall and Turner on account of the famine relief, and shortly after arriving was taken ill of cold apparently, which ended in typhus fever. He suffered for 18 days. during which time he was kindly watched over by the Rev. Mr Richard and a native assistant. He has left a widow, now in China, who has our warmest sympathy. while we mourn over the loss which she, and the mission with which they were connected, and the work on which he had just entered, have been called on to sustain. This matter of famine relief is a hazardous undertaking, and full of danger to life from the associations round about it. Catholic and Protestant missionaries in the field have thus been led to suffer from their connection with the scene of distress around them, and we consider their part in the

Australian Items.

work as an act of Christian heroism.

The following items are taken from our exchanges received by the E. & A. Co. s steamer Normanby on Thursday last Inspector Toomey proved finding the Expeditions to New Guinea. The Cawatch at the Yung Sing Pawn shop, it had lonist, schooner, from Sydney to New the exploration of that country, chieff possible, if not probable war referred to, our for \$10.80 and gave the money to defend. The sider of the two was one of the early diggets on the Falmer. This party, we Mr Genard said he lost the watch in understand, take four horses themselves. Mosque Street last September; it fell from The other passengers take every necessary for six months, and will, if there is gold The defendant said his wife bought the in New Guines, give a good scootint of

An expedition to New Guines is in plea-Remanded until Tuesday, for Sergeant paration in New Zealand, It is to constat of 60 mes, with a septial of 62740, on 118

tion will be the Fly River.

couple of hours near the bathing shed, these places for the sepoys, and their sani- on the Bemsridge Ledge, off the Isle wishes of the entire community. The required. prospecting fields.

take into consideration the question of bet- | the Governments of England and India might | buying our products, and paying for them, ter cable communication with Europe, is in special circumstances go even further in the most amiable way with the money appointed to take place in Melbourne on than they propose, and release the British | they had borrowed from ourselves. the 26th April, but unless a postponement regiments at Hongkong, Aden, and the Cape should take place Queensland will not be re- of Good Hope for service nearer home, their presented, as our (Queensland) Parliament | places being taken by Bombay, Madras, or meet on the 24th, and Ministers will be Bengal native regiments. unable just at that time to leave Brisbane.

Chinese in Queensland and Port Darwin.

- The Goldfields Act Amendment Act (Queensland) of last session, which requires from Chinese on the goldfields of amended or repealed. The European only sion to a specessful termination. Although ordinary rates, contribute a fair share to the in California were aware that they could found his throat a good deal inflamed, and purposes, therefore, the Goldfields Amend- seek what occupation they choose. It may view, in next week's Land and Water. ment act is an acknowledged failure. It is be here remarked that the situation of the Captain Gill, B. E., is not a communicawell understood, however, that the Act was Chinese in Peru is not as generally repre- tive man like Fred Burnaby; but even if we intended to be repressive in its character, sented. Much has been written on the hear no 'good stories' of Western China we and to put a check upon the influx of subject, and although a great deal of ex- may nevertheless expect an interesting ac-Chinese upon the goldfields of the colony; aggeration has been frequently employed it count of that almost unknown region, for cossary, and the Uhinese Immigration Act have suffered severely on the plantations. diary during his travels. Furthermore his would seem to be sufficiently stringent to But the intervention of the authorities, the engineering knowledge has enabled him prevent the introduction of these people in general condemnation of those who treated map the whole district, for the benefit of the such numbers as to prejudice the interests their laborers improperly, and the many | War Office, under great difficulties; for of the European population. While on proofs of the good results obtained by those Chinaman's idea of distance is 'a day's this subject it may be mentioned that two who treated them properly have combined to march,' a very indefinite expression. Capsteam vessels have arrived at Port Darwin effect great reforms, and at present the tain Gill followed what is known as the during the month, with Chinese passengers | Chinaman is on an equality with the | Margary route, and met with no opposition from Hongkong, and these people are now laborer of the country. On the greater from the natives, whom he describes as trying their fortunes on the goldfields of number of farms they are allowed to harmless and inquisitive. It should a rethe Northern Territory. But there is very victual themselves, receiving so much money membered that Mr Margary was murdered little scope in the auriferous country in lieu thereof. This system is much pre- by official, not native, intolerance. His which has been opened up in the neigh- ferred by the Chinamen who, although sub- ingress into Thibet was, however, prevented bourhood of Port Darwin for the Chinese missive enough in the execution of their by the Thibetan authorities on the frontier. miner, who has no idea of developing a duties, are wont to evince a decided inclina- To those interested in the Eastern Question field, but confines his operations to alluvial | tion to be entirely independent in all relative to | (I mean as an Asian, not an Eastern Euroworkings that have been opened up by the their mode of living. An experience of some pean, matter) this should be an interesting European. It is, therefore, pretty evident | years has given our agriculturists a better | fact. We want more travellers like Captain that unless they can find some other pro- insight into the character of these laborers, Gill. Stable occupation in the Northern Terri and leads them to adopt a wiser course of A trial is about to take place of a new tery they will fail to obtain the means of treatment. The success which has attended invented hydro-steam governor on board a support there in large numbers. It is, many of the Chinese who have arrived in | naval vessel with a view to prove its power indeed, reported that the two shiploads this country is beyond all doubt, and at pre- in preventing engines racing in a sea-way, ed serious apprehensions of future trouble, working on a capital varying from 6,000 run of breaking down their machinery and the South Australian Government, on soles up to 100,000 soles. the recommendation of their Resident at the Northern Territory, are said to have telegraphed to the British authorities at Hongkong to stop the influx of Chinese.

at Port Darwin from Hongkong on the 12th and 18th of the present month, April. The E. and A. Co.'s Subsidy. -It is understood that the Government offers to increase the subsidy of the E. and A. M. Company by ten thousand pounds, making it £80,000, on condition of its being a ten knot service.

INDIAN GARRISONS FOR THE FAR EAST.

The Bombay Gazette has the following somewhat authoritative announcement an

reflections :-We hear upon good authority that it is a project of the India and War Offices to replace the British garrison of the Straits of Malacca, Ceylon, and Mauritius with native troops. Singapore, Malacca, and Penang. or, we may say, the whole Malay Peninsula. -have been shown by sanitary statistics to Froduce such an abnormal mortality for wisely considering the pros and cons who formarly occupied them: the only diffioulty to the way of the change being this, that the Straits are also unhealthy for sepoys. Why this should be the case it is difficult to determine. Singapore has a large Kling population composed of natives from Malabar and Madras, who seem to thrive there as no doubt that, immediately previous to the transfer of the garrison of that place from India to the Crown, the Madras sepoy garrison which occupied it was well-nigh ineffective from constant ill-health, one Madras regiment, we have heard, having had as many as 200 men in hospital at one time. or thirty years ego, - the island was has been conspicuously drunk on several supposed to be one of the healthiest public occasions, but the judicious efforts of pould be got to fight on the side of Russia. stations in the East for both European his friends have prevented any disgraceful Indian troops from some one of the three mered his defiance at "Misser Speaker," reason why the Straits should not be re- delegation, who gathered round their arring

per man. The destination of the expedi- produced by the working of the secret so- got him out of the Chamber without confucieties among the Chinese, and these dis- sion. The Colonist schooner, with the New turbances native troops have quelled over The Salvage Steamship Company has suc-

her agents were careful to see that the past readily dispense with British garrisons, ex- of success. sengers would have no cause for complaint cept perhaps a few artillery to man their During 1877, for the first time in the last on the passage. The Colonist will, with puny fortifications. Islands of this type six years, the marriages in England fell the present fair wind, run across in three have the advantage of naval protection, and below 200,000 in number. The number of days. The Expedition Party were to their land garrisons have little else to do marriages in Scotland in 1677—namely, choose a leader when they got to sea, but assist the civil power on occasion in 25,790—is the lowest registered in any yearand, we understand, will have a very quelling internal disturbances. Disturb- since 1872. systematic mode of communication with ances, however, are very rare in any of the Lord Granville, speaking at the Foremen Port Moresby after they make their way islands mentioned, and a sepoy regiment, Engineers' dinner, in the Cannon-street inland. They have nine horses with them, assisted by local Volunteer corps (Eu- Hotel, said that the depression of trade was and will be able to pack their stores to the ropeans), ought to be strong enough to put due in a measure to the bankruptcy of a the generality of such things quite out of great many nations, who have been good Cable Conference.—The conference, to the question. For our own part we think enough to swell the inflation that existed by

THE CHINESE IN PERU. (La Capital.) scently landed at Port Darwin have caus- sent there are about 2,000 of them who are and so saving the great risk all screw ships

LONDON GOSSIP.

What new-fangled nonsense is this I hear Five hundred and thirty Chinese arrived of double-barrelled surnames in the hope of keeping what may be called the "trademark?" "Woman is the lesser man," and according to all sensible rule, when she marries she gives up her surname and adopts that of her husband. But nowadays ladies belonging to any of the professions want to combine both-Mrs. Garrett-Anderson, Madame Bodda-Pyne, Mrs. - Thackeray-Ritchie, Mrs. Coleman-Angell, and all the gara Falls. In the vicinity of Table Rock, rest of it. If marriage involves loss of popular reputation, or the chance of being unrecognised for the future, due consideration should be given to the fact before the ceremony, but these double-barrelled names are hideous and confusing.

The Russian soldier in the piping times of paternal Government appears to think that latter an abominable compound, which may cease for a time. This extraordinary cirbe compared to petroleum or naphtha, will cumstance was attributed to incessant high keep him in health and contentment. In winds from the north-east, and an ice-gorge war, however, there is reason to believe that at the rapids above damming the waters of English soldiers that the Government is he is, by force of circumstances, compelled the river till its bed was nearly dry. largely to rely on what he can obtain in the licicles that remained clinging to the rocks restoring these quarters to the native soldiers | way of requisition in the enemy's country. He is wise if he rejects the diet provided to the remarkable character of the scene. for him by his regimental commissariat. An Austrian military paper lately gave the result of an analysis of a sample of the bread supplied to the Russian troops in Bulgaria. The examination was carefully made, and revealed the presence of nineteen per cent. well as on the Indian Peninsula; but there is of sawdust and fourteen per cent. of sand. - | that of our own men, at the termination

A "scene" which took place in the House

habitual drunkenness of one of the Virginia is much inferior to our Militia. On At one time, -- five and twenty last session of Congress. This gentleman and for native troops. Probably, defective exhibition of his condition. Matters, howdrainage and an ever-increasing Chinese ever, came to a climax on the 18th ult. present bad reputation for salubrity | though; but intemperate member was, to the alarm no doubt, the facility with which spiritnous of his friends, seen wriggling down the sisle, liquors can be obtained in a free port may steadying himself as best he could on two have something to say in this matter, so far deaks, and attempting a disorderly interrupas the health of European soldiers is in quese tion. He was evidently on this occasion tion. Whatever the cause, however, the drunk enough to be violent; and the worst Home Government is, we hear, indisposed to anticipations of his friends were realized; maintain a British garrison there; and we for, waving his arms at the imminent risk of shall not be surprised to learn any day that measuring his length on the floor, he stam-Presidencies have received the route for the and at "the gettlemen on oth's side." He Straits, and very probably for Ceylon and then began to gesticulate wildly and stagger Mauritius as wall. Looking at the matter about sternly refusing to be escorted out of from a military point of view, there is no the House by the larger part of the Virginia garisoned by native corps. Singapore is a brother. The Serjeant-at-Arms at last sucvery important commercial centre and a ceeded in leading him off the floor; but he place of considerable political interest in the made the most desperate lunges and blows map of Greater Britain, but it has a lovel at that officer, and would have struck him industrious population, a Volunteer corps but for the prompt assistance of a number of (Europeans), numbering several hundred members, who lent their aid, and at last men, we believe, and it is, moreover, pro- deposited the drunken Congressman in a tected by British vessels of war, of which closk-room. From thence he proceeded to there are usually one or two in the herbour. the Schate Chamber, where he made " an-

The only dangers Singapore, Malacca, or other exhibition of himself; but Senator

Penang have ever been exposed to age right Withore, of Virginia, with admirable skill,

Guinea prospecting party, dropped down and over again with little difficulty and ceeded in raising and fleating into dook at from No. 2 wharf, Cooktown, on Thursday sourcely any loss of life on either side. We Portsmonth the Alpha, a fine iron ship of (18th April) morning, and moored for a fancy that, if proper lines were built at 1,300 tons, which was wrecked in November whence she set sail at about 9.30 a.m. Irre- tation well cared for, native troops would be Wight. The vessel which was only on her spective of the Sydney party, six passengers as healthy in the Straits as on the Coast, or second voyage was insured for £13,000. left Cooktown, Mesers Neville, Holmes, in Burma, and it would be an advantage to She was bought for £200, and raised by the Cleveland, Armstrong, Appel, and Akinsul the Imperial Government if the British | construction inside her of a wooden plator Mexican Jack. The whole party is troops now occupying the Straits stations form, a marvel of engineering skill. Ansplendidly equipped, and started in excel- were set free to go elsewhere and to places other, company had previously abandoned lent spirits, carrying with them the best where their presence would be more urgently | the task. This company are contractors for the raising of the Vanguard, which they vessel was re-victualled at this port, and Ceylon and Mauritius might also very will attempt in June and are very sanguine

With a view to allaying scepticism, Benedetti, the sword-swallower, gave a private seance on Saturday last to some memthe Westminster Aquarium. Since thirteen years of age, it seems, this gentleman has been fighting Nature with the sword until he has pushed the stomach down into the groin, Two gentlemen who recently proceeded to thus elongating the cosophagus to an unnathe colony £3 for a miner's right and £10 | California for the purpose of inducing Chi- tural extent. As a rule he prefers taking for a business license, has not worked nese to emigrate to this country have food before the exhibition begins as it makes satisfactorily, and will not improbably be returned without having carried their mis- the internal sheath more agreeable to the reception of cold steel, and protects the coats pays ten shillings per annum for the miner's | this is much to be regretted it is satisfac- of the stomach from being pierced with the right, and £3 for the business license, tory to know the Chinese showed no sword's point. A physician who was preand the Chinese were required to pay the disinclination, but that business disputes sent told me he distinctly felt the sword higher fees as above stated on the alleged | prevented a current of labour setting in this | as it was withdrawn from the stomach lying ground that they did not, under the direction. It is certain that if the Chinese quite in the groin. The M.D.s present public revenue. But under the raised fees earn from ten to twelve reals per day in gave him a gargle. Frank Buckland, who the revenue from this source has not only Peru, they would come here in thousands. It was instrumental in bringing about the prinot increased, but has dwindled down to would be a wise measure to provide them vate interview, intends publishing an article an almost nominal amount. For revenue free passages, allowing them on arrival to on the subject, from an anatomical point of

This invention may be connected with the bridge, so that the officer of the watch can have entire control of the engines, easing or stopping them without using the telegraph. The machine itself is described as small, simple and perfect. It combines the advantage of being close to its work, in direct communication with the throttle valve, and taking up little space. It cannot get out of order, but can be so set as to out off the steam instantaneously, or allow one or two revolutions. It allows work to be resumed as instantaneously.

A curious phenomenon occurred at Niathe river bed was perfectly dry for hundreds of yards towards the centre of the Horse Shoe Falls, whilst the river below the falls was some twenty-four feet below highwater mark, and the walk over the sandy stretch from the base of the staircase to the front of the American Falls an unusual peace is not particularly well fed. His treat. For three days the appearance of the river both above and below the falls led sufficiency of rye bread and vodki, the to the idea that the falls would entirely over which the falls-race wont to pour added

Captain Eaton, of the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards, has just returned from a visit to Constantinople and its neighbourhood. He witnessed the Russian Guards march into San Stefano, and their appearance on the occasion reminded him not a little the autumn manouvres, that is to say they looked thoroughly workmanlike yet wonderof Representatives at Washington the other fully clean and smart. But these troops reday created a painful impression both inside presented the elite of the Russian army, and and outside of the House. It seems that the he holds that the rank and file of their army Congressmen has been the subject of frequent | other hand he was very favourably impress-But this was not always the case with remark during the present as well as the ed with what he saw of the Turkish soldiers, English, so much so that he doubts if they At Gallipoli the Turks are working like Tro. as on the Bulair lines of defence.

immigration are at the bottom of the island's While debate was in progress the honourable On Saturday morning an announcement morning thirst | and, knowing the taste of appeared in the first column of the Times his guest, produced champagne. The wine referring to an incident which had occurred had a most wonderful effect | after three or in my family a day or two previously. four glasses the guest remembered a few Before mid-day my letter box was inundated words of French, and his entertainer began with pirculars from enterprising tradesmen to smell a fat. Another bottle was broachinterested in such events and every succeed- ed, and by the time the bottom was reaching post up to half-past ten at night brought ed the Russian gentleman was able to confresh shoals of them. I give you a few verse flooutly in English. The story conspecimens :-- Nursery-biscuts; lists of appli- cludes with the guest pumping his hosts as ances for mothers and infents (a dozen or so to the disposable English force in the Black of those); patent smelling-saits, lists of Sea, and it is needless to add that he was perfumeries, treatise on toilet-soaps, circulars not told anything approaching to the truth from three private infant-schools, prospects With a hearty laugh, he returned to his uses from insurance societies (the andow- boat, a sheery Good-bye coming over the ment of children), photograph of the an- water as he rowed to the shore. nonnoement in the Times with request for "In consequence of the scarcity and orders, and last of all an application for a dearness of provisions in Constantineple, contribution from a volunteer fire brigade. the Ottoman Government have temporarily What on earth this last was for I can't forbidden the export of food, the actual imagine unless it was to remind me of fact being that the sapital was being drained Artemus Ward, who, on a similar occasion, to stipply the Russian troops at the outer tendered his thanks to "Engine Ko, No. lines and at Rodoste. The Turkish Go-17." the members of which being under the vernment appear to have recognised Roimpression, "that there was a Konflagration dosto as a Russian port. A Galata mergoing on kurs galyisatly to the spot, but shant writes to the Levant Herald, com. station, or whatever other warning or in. Melrose,

GOSSIP FROM THE FLEET. An occasional correspondent of the Standard, writing from Ismid on March 11.

"The British public are, as a rule, so little acquainted with the movements and whereabouts of English men-of-war, that communications from time to time bear an interest, not only to those having relatives in our Royal Navy, but to the ordinary readers of a dally newspaper. The eastern division of Admiral Hornby's squadron consists of four powerful iron ships, carrying heavy rifled ordnance, steaming at a rapid rate, and having their sides protected by armour-plating varying from 41in. 12in. With such a squadron for attacking purposes, and surrounded by a flotilia gunboats such as are on service in Turkish waters, our friends at home have little to fear but that, should occasion arise, the British flag will, as of old, give a good so-

count of itself.

"Practice makes perfect, and ultimately becomes perfection itself, or at all events. approaches closely to it. Outsiders are mostly under the impression that officers and men have little or nothing to do in the Royal Navy. Visitors coming on board a man-of-war are at once struck with the snowy whiteness of the decks, the beauty and finish of the guns, the sparkling brilliancy of the brass, the polish of the wood work : and, seeing that the crew are strong, ruddy, healthy, and well-clothed, ask, in bers of the medical profession in his room at the most innecent manner, Whatever do Marmora are built at Ismid, wood being SALTPETRE. you find to do on board ship?' The answer is very simple-drill; not only the system of foot exercise seen in the Army, but drill aloft with spars, yards, and sails drill below with men, small arms, and heavy guns. The work of cleaning and embellishing the ship is done in the early hours of the morning, so that by 9 a.m. the decks are cleared up, and all is ready for the real work of the day. Steam has not quie superseded canvas as a mode of propulsion, so one morning each week is devoted to sail drill, which gives the men confidence when aloft, and prevents the combatant officers from relying too much on the machinery of the ship. Notwithstanding that our modern men-of-war are boxes of machinery, the old seamanahip which won us so many battles is not allowed to die

"Other days are assigned to exercising the fighting portion of the crew in the manipulation of the rifle, in cutless drill, and in repelling imaginary boarders by the sid of cutlass and pistol. Heavy gun drill also but for this purpose it is probably unne- is undeniable that in the past the coolies Captain Gill has kept a most exhaustive forms a prominent part of the duty of our seamen, who have to make themselves perfeet in the machinery for moving these weapons, as well as acquiring a knowledge of their powers and the best method of

utilising them. "It is by this perfect system of teaching that our blue jackets have attained superiority as artillerists; and, coupling these daily exercises with actual practice at sea, it becomes no idle boast to assert that any object coming within the range of our guns will be struck nine times out of ten.

"The manipulation and construction of torpedoes is by no means neglected. Qualified instructors are employed to teach the younger seamen how and when to use these means of offence and defence, and when opportunity offers the torpedo class leaves the ship and from a boat is taught by actual experiment. And besides the combatants of a man-of-war, there are on board a number of men who may be described as the mechanics and tradesmen of the ship. In this class are the important body men known as stokers, to whose care are confided the repairs required by the steam machinery and bollers: then there are carpenters, to whom are entrusted the wooden portions of the vessel, the boats, and upper masts and yards; the sailmakers, blacksmiths, caulkers, painters, ropemakers, each of whom finds plenty of work in his respective trade. In a word, an English man-of-war in commission is a floating busy hive of industry.

"It is not every seaman who would care to pilot heavy ironclads into an unsurveyed position; and yet, when told to leave Prince's Island, Admiral Hornby did so. Touzla Bay, where the squadron retreated to, was almost unknown, so the ships had to feel their way to an anchorage, and happily found a safe one. The town or village of Touzla contained some hundreds of inhabitants before the war broke out, but now, drained of its Mussulman population, only a few score Greeks remain. . .

"Last week one of our gunboats arrived

from the Black Sea, and reported that the

Russians were making advances, stealthily,

upon the lower half of the European side of the Bosphorus, and that they were slowly establishing themselves in the rear of the forts protecting that strait. Although but little news is heard in this locality, and that news very often incorrect, still, subsequent inquiries substantiated the above statement; in addition to which the Russians have torpedo-boats at Rodosto and at Varna, so that they could seize one side of the Bosphorus by a coup de main, and do immense damage to our fleet, should necessity compel us to enter the Black Sea. Our squadron is sadly in want of a few rapid torpedo launches, and it is to be hoped that the Admiralty will remedy the deficiency with some of the Thorneycrofts they have recently purchased. A good story is told of a certain visitor who came on board an English gupboat, at Varna, The visitor was a Russian military officer, who was received with due honour, who bowed and saluted, but who could speak no language and Italian were tried, but without avail ; not a word could be got out of the officer. At last an ingenious officer of the ship suggested by signs that the Mozoov should go A correspondent sends me the following :- below into the ward-room, there to allay his

plaining that he paid emport duties at the formation is shopes." This instrument Wishbetter

slowly steamed down the Gulf of Ismid, culate porter. anchoring off the town at noon. From this place provisions of all kinds can be obtained. The locality is very pretty; the town is situated on the slope of a hill; the country round is very well cultivated, and an air of prosperity reigns everywhere. Wild fowl and game appear abundant, and the adventurous sportsman can find wild boar and deer in the interior, Ismid is a modern town, built on the site of older buildings, which have been destroyed by earthquakes and by fire. The houses are built of wood, surrounded by gardens; the population is about 3500 inhabitants, a considerable reduction from that of the ancient city Nicomedia, from which it had its origin. It has a trade in wine, cotton, and silk, drawing these supplies from vast districts in Central Asia. The Turkish Government has a small arsenal there, and most of the coasting craft in the Sea of QUICKSILVER, 60.00 a 60.60 both plentiful and cheap.

"Our stay at Ismid is most uncertain. As soon as we are permitted to draw our supplies from Constantinople the squadron will return to Touzla Bay, possibly, it is whispered, a little nearer the capital than Oredita, we have been before. The Agincourt and Documentary, 6months sight ... 8/113 Hotspur remain at Gallipoli, where I understand they are having hard times, no Caloutta, provisions to be bought, weather intensely cold, and all sorts of disease raging in the town, smallpox especially, carrying off its Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., victims by tens and twenties daily. The western division of the fleet, consisting of Mexicans, ... the Ruby, Research, and one gun-vessel, Gold Leaf, are on guard duty in the Gulf of Saros, English Sovereigns, steaming or sailing day and night, don- Australian Sovereigns, ... 5.07 stantly watching the movements of the Discount, Russian soldiery, so that we have ships on the look-out on each side of Gallipoli peninsula."

Condor remain in readiness at Besika Bay."

Dead Letters.

Amelon, Mrs., Passenger on board the Beidelman, Miss. R., care of P. M. Office,

Yokohama, Borton, Mr Woolahra, Sydney, N.S.W., 1 Bulley, R., 28, Egerton Street, Liverpool, 1 Cawse, Capt. Thomas, Ship Cariolanus,

Amoy, Cerquella, C., Passenger per Amazone, Singapore, 1 Coleborn, Thos., 54, Wheatland Lane, Seacombe, Cracknell, W., engineer, Allahabad, India, 1

Evans, Miss L., Post Office, Ludgate Hill. London, 1 Guion, M., Capitaine du Jacques Cartier, Moulmein, 2 Healey, Mrs., 12, Woodslde Street, Liverpool, 1

Kilburn, Mrs., 8, Albert Terrace, Liverpool, 1 Klimzel, Fraulein Wilhelm, Platz, St. Pauli, Hamburg, Laws, Mrs., 3, Lion Street, Poplar, Lon-

don, 1 Mathias, Mrs., 16, Paisley Street, Liverpool, 1 Millegan, Miss, 3, Wainwright Street,

Liverpool, 1 fillis, Henry, St. Catharine's City, Canada West, 1 Moore M, J., 141, Pitt Street, Sydney, N.S. W., 1 Morley, G., Calcamna, River Darling,

New South Wales,..... 1 Neustadt, J., Charlotten Strasse, No. 2, Berlin O'Connor, Mrs., Bonnet Hill, Dundee, O'Keefe, Mrs., Dorset Street, Dublin, ... Reid, Mrs., Avenue Street, Edinburgh, 1

Ronpell, N. A., Waltair, Vizagapatam, India, Rowland, T., Post Office, Commercial Road East, London, 1 Seymour, Captain, Barque Antioch,

Hongkong, Sjaavog, N., Niarve,.... Sturt, N., Government Telegraph Depart-

ment, Calcutta,..... Sullivan, Miss, Post Office, Cardiff, Wales, 1 Jan. Syed Cheerg Ally, care of Capt. Speelby,

Peera, India,.... Tal Wo, 41, Hollywood Road, Hongkong, 1 Tench, M. P., 153, Fleet Street, London, (Registered), Treen, George, P. & O. S. S. Pera, Alexandria

Vander, Pol, care of Messageries Maritimes, Hongkong,..... 1 Villa Oz, L. F. D., Government House, Magao, 1

Walls, Geo. & Co., Colombo, Ceylon, ... 1 Weet, Mrs., Post Office, Southampton, ... 1 Williams, Miss, 16, Paisley Street, Liverpool, Witt, S., Dammstrasso, No. 14, Kiel,

Deutschland,.... The above letters have been returned from various places at which the addressees 28, Highlander, cannot be found. If not claimed within ten days they will be opened and returned

General Post Office. Hongkong, May 22, 1878.

to the writers.

A QUICK bit of bridge-building has been executed in the United States. On the morning of Saturday, March 9, the bridge on the Raritan River, at New Brunewick, New Jersey, which had formed part of the New Jersey Division of the Pennsylvania Railway, was burnt. As this structure was 1,050 feet in length, it was no easy task to replace it in a hurry, but by great skill and extraordinary exertion, Mr. W. H. Brown, the engineer of the Company, succeeded in accomplishing the feat of constructing a new bridge, capable of supporting the longest trains, within 127 hours after the burning of the original bridge, So much was the 10, Patroslus (s.), Liverpool work interrupted by storms and floods that the number of working hours was only nity-seven.

A new instrument has been produced in Mikado. Ame jos. According to the published desoriplos, its function is that, placed upon Robert Henderson. a locomotive, it will raise its voice when Dartmouth. desired, and announce, in giant tones that can be heard for miles, I am the engine Marmaduke, and will stop at Boonton Aurrera (s.)

Turkish Custom House on goods sent to might be usefully employed in this country. Rodosto, and the goods having been re- and on our most cherished railroads. Thanks turned to him at Galata, the Turkish to advertising enterprise, it is rarely possible authorities charged again import dues, to read the name of the station. One is imsaying that Rodosto was in the hands of pressed with the virtues of various articles the Russians, and that he must pay the of domestic use, but remains profoundly duties on goods coming from a Russian ignorant of where one is. The inarticulate howl of a railway porter is of no assistance "As fresh beef could not be obtained whatever, innsmuch as by the exercise of a from Constantinople in consequence of the certain ingenuity he invariably produces a above-mentioned order, the squadron moved sound utterly unlike the name of the place to the base of supplies. On the morning to which he is attached. An acrophone of the 9th inst. we weighed anchor, and would be a vast improvement on the inarti-

Quotations. Honewore, May 25, 1878. OPIUM.—New Patna, cash....\$5821 a 585... credit, -Old Patna, cash,... None New Benares, cash, 5621 4 565 Old Benares, cash, None credit. -New Malwa, cash, 790 credit, 795 Allowance Taels, 12 a 24 Old Malwa, cash, -credit, -Taels. --

...16.75 a 17.00 ... 6.25a 6.80 Exchange. 30 days' sight,

Bank, on demand, 3/10g 6 months' sight, ... 8/ill nom. Bombay, demand Rupees, ... 228 nom. Shanghal, demand, ... Вусее,

Shares. Hongkong Bank, 63 % prem. "The Devastation, Raleigh, Rupert, and Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,825 China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,300 Chinese Insurance Co., \$272 Yangtere Ins. Assoc., Tis. 645 North China Ins. Co., Tis. 980 H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$700 China Fire lns, Co., \$182 Peiho, Hongkong, 1 H.K. & W. Dock Co., 9 % prem, H. K. C. & M. S. boat Co., \$4 dis. Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tis. 21 Hongkong Gas Co., \$75 Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65 China Sugar Refining Co., 10 % prem. Chinese imperial Loan, £104.

of 1877, £102.10/. Temperature. (Taken at Mesers Falconer & Co.'s Premises Queen's Road.)

HONEKONE, May 25, 1878. BAROMETER- 9 A.M.... Do. 4 P.M. ... THERMOMETER-9 A.M.... 1 P.M. ... 75 Do. 4 P.M. ... Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 73 1 P.M. 74 Do. Maximum 700 Lo. Minimum over night 74

Shipping Intelligence. The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c. :--VESSELS TO ARRIVE

AT HONGKONG. 3, Elizabeth Shields, Hamburg Flushing Hamburg Cardiff Penarth. Cardiff 17, Hylton Castle. Greenoek 22, Belle of Oregon, Liverpool 27, Earl of Devon, Antworp 30. Elizabeth Childs, Plymouth 31, Wandering Jew.

2, Per Ardua, London 7. Nourmahal. London Falmouth 9. Lodore. 9. Hedwig. Cardiff Channel Queen, Oardiff' 21. Magdala. Cardiff Penarth Bydney Osrdiff NOW YORK 3, Princo Amadeo,

8, Francis B. Fay Sydney 9, Mabel Clark. 9, Josephus, Penarth 12 Penrith London 14. Bertie Bigelow, 12, Landseer, 19. C. L. Pearson. N'oastle (R. H. W.) 19. Alice D. Cooper. Penarth 20, S. Vaughan, Nostle (x.s w.) Sontag, 26, R fleman, N'castle (N. S. W.) Liverpool 29, Manila II. Ouxhaven: 80, Bristolian (.) Antwerp

6, Maritime Union, Cardiff

LOADING FOR CHIMA AND JAPAN PORTS. At London. -- Steamers via Sues Conals Glengyle, Gordon Castle Bailing Pesseis.

Imperatrice:

Portfolio.

A SKETCH FROM NATURE. I heer a sure token. A herald has spoken, The sweet spell is broken Of summer's warm days No more lovers toying, Their fond hopes enjoying, Till kieses grow cloying Beneath the moon's rays.

Harsh breezes are sighing, Earth's blossoms are dying, Pale rose-leaves are lying Upon the damp lawn; Bright hours are fleeting, Mists come with chill greeting, And cold is the meeting Of evening or morn.

Gay summer is going-The sweet meadow mowing, The reaping and sowing, Are over and past; The robin is singing, The summer's knell ringing, While Autumn is bringing His yellow leaves fast.

As twilight falls lightly, With gray shadow nightly, The sun still looks brightly Upon that red breast-A look warm and glowing, A last-fond look throwing, Where melody's flowing, As he sinks to rest. - Charles Curle.

JACK, THE DIVER. "Too old to dive!" said he, with great emphasis: " not a bit of it. As soon as times get a little better I'll be at it again, and I'll make more money in one day than land lubbers make in a month." "But," continued be, bis anger dying the English gunboat Talaveria, of seventy- it." four guns, in '89. 1 was in the battle of Brandynoine for two years and three months. Then I went on a West India mail steam-Dec. It was while I was on her that I begun to dive. I came on deck one day. and, in fun, said I would like to dive. I believe there was anything so great about worked for the Lake Shore Railroad Com- globe. East Indian merchantman that was sunk. 100 days. He was working one day shortly This is rather unfortunate, as, after our The dogs had not been allowed to land entirely different hands. After a little chat Bhe was loaded with all sorts of merchan- after he had begun the job, and I went long residence on board, and all the knock- before, as everybody told me they would we went on to the Deacon Hong, where we they were raisin' her with rubber down to see him. The bignal-tender asked ing about at sea, the yacht requires rebigs. The diver would go down and take me if I would take hold of the line. I did pairing and refitting. She looks very well on board before sunset, and had time for a we met some old friends. with him a big air-tight rubber bag. Each so, and gave it three or four little shakes painted white, and the change is a great little rest before some friends arrived to By the kindness of various people, to of them bags, when filled with air, would that a good diver always understands. He comfort in hot weather; but white paint dinner. We have shipped two Chinese whom we were introduced, we all found raise five tone. They were fastened all immediately answered back and let me does not wear well, and in order to maintain boys here to work in the pantry and ourselves gradually installed in luxurious over the vessel and connected with rubber understand that he knew I was there. But her good looks she ought to receive a fresh kitchen. They are excellent servants as a quarters. As for us, we had a large room pipe, After we had fastened hundreds of I was going to tell you about that narrow coat at every port. We can only go up the rule, but how they will get on with the comfortably furnished in English fashion, them to her, air was pumped into em and escape. I had a signal-tender who didn't Pearl River at the very top of the tide, for others, and how they will like the seadlife, with a bath-room attached. All the houses they lifted that vessel out of the water just hardly understand his business. The in several places there are not fourteen feet remains to be proved. as easy as rollin' off a log. It was to fasten mouth of the crib had been stopped up of water over the shoals. It will, therefore, Wednesday, February 28th.—I was up equally comfortable style. on those air-bags that the divers were hired. | with dirt, and I was clearing it out. I had take us two or three days to accomplish and off at half-past six to the market, and | About three o'clock we started in five I had often wished that I could be a diver, crawled through the entrance, which was a what the steamers do in six hours, and a returned to a late breakfast on board; after chairs, with Man-look-Chin for our guide. because they were getting £45 a month, sort of door, and all at once, when I went great waste of time will be involved. one day I came on deck and was sayin' that I felt that I was filling up with water fast, pradors in what sounds, until one gets yesterday at Government House, and allowed to cross any of the bridges over took me up. Said he, "I want you to go below and shorten up that wheel rope." Before I went down I had to learn the signals. Besides the long hose that came down and connected with my helmet, there was a life-line about my waist which a sional-man on deck held. That is of almost as much consequence as the hose. I was taught if I wanted more I should jerk on the hose once; if I wanted 'em to take up | pull on the air-line and call for more air." the slack on the hose, I was to pull three times on it. Then there were signals on the life-line. One jerk on the line meant 'Hold on !' one pull and a shake, 'Lower away; two jerks, 'Pull up,' (whatever the tackle may be attached;) three pulls, 'Take me out, There are several signals. There's one which every signal-man knows all about. that means, 'Pull me out quick, for God's sake !' Finally, after I'd got ready, they lowered me down. The minute I struck the water I felt all right. The heavy feeling of the armor went away, and I seemed se light as a feather. As soon as I struck the deak of the wreck I began to walk around. I couldn't see very well, and had to be careful not to get my life line tangled in the rigging. I hadn't been down long before I wanted more air. I felt as if I was Brassey's new book, The Ortics of the Sunemothering. Oh, it was terrible. The most pesuliar thing about a man's feelings, when for the first time he's down below a divin', is the pain that takes him in the head right behind the cars. It feels as if the castern end of the island of Hongkong. Werendens, and stand of Hongkong. The following, according to the Times' too, looks comfortably arranged, and certiful too, looks comfortably arranged, arra was some little time before I got over it. I stayed down over an hour, and when I

blust me off."

armor that we wear is air-tight, you know. occasionally. it would make a hissing noise and a volume | tempted me to a digression. behold."

you ever made ?"

while we sailors were making only £3. But to turn around, I pulled my helmet off. I had never thought that I could, because There I was, out in the water, where, in a pidgin English' seriously spoken. It is a day to dine with them. I think they assured him that it was impossible in the didn't suppose I had the grit to learn. short time, I knew I would drown. I very trying to one's composure to hear proposed to pay him what is for them an serowded streets of the city, so he had to Many a man gets killed while learnin' to pulled twice on the life-line for the signaldivs, you know. But as I was tellin'ye, tender to pull me up, but he didn't do it. giving important orders to clerks and com- were pleased with some remarks he made except those employed by foreigners, is I would like to dive, when the Captain and I pulled again. But still he did not accustomed to it, like the silliest of baby- partly because they think so much of his, the stream, which completely surrounds understand. Of course all my armor had talk. The term really means business enterprise in making a voyage round the the foreign settlement, and makes the I filled with water, there was no air in it, I English; and certain it is that most world in a yacht with his wife and family, subarb of Shameen a perfect island. There would have given most anything to have was held down by tons weight. Suddenly Chinamen you meet understand it perfectly, They examined everything on board, and are iron gates on each bridge, guarded by got out of it, but I wasn't goin' to back down George, who I was telling you about, and though you might just as well talk Greek seemed to be specially interested in Tom's sentries in the state of things presented by because if I had I would never have heard who had just come down to see me, stepped as ordinary English to them. Take piecey Board of Trade certificate, which one of the two sides of the bridge is most marvelthe last of it. I got on the armor, and in | up and took hold of the life-line, shook it, missisy one piecey bag topside, seems their number translated in full for the lous. From the quiet country park, full the afternoon I went below. I can't de- and asked me what I wanted. I had just quite as difficult to understand as Take benefit of the rest. scribe to you the feelin' that comes over a strength enough left to give two hard pulls, the lady's bag upstairs' would be; but it is men when for the first time he puts on the which meant, " ull me up quick.' George, leasier to a Chinaman's intellect. armor and gets ready to dive. The great | I afterwards heard them tell, yelled to the heavy helmet makes him feel as if he was signal man and sold him, 'Help me pull in write our names in the Governor's book. streets, and the large, gaily coloured houses | meet you at every turn. People who have me something." goin' to smother. As I looked at the long that life-line, and pull for all you're It was a beautiful road all the way, have the names and advertisements of their seen many Chinese cities say that Canton rabber pipe leadin' from the air pump to worth, for Jack is drowning. They hauled running between levely gardens and beneath the helmet, I thought what if that should me up out of there mighty quick, now I get broke while I was down below. Some |tell you, and it took lots of strength to do | building, situated on a high point of land, careless fellow must step on it and shut off lit, because my armor was full of water. commanding extensive views in every the air, an' then what would become of me? When they got me to the surface I was direction. After a pleasant chat we declean gone, and it was more than an hour scended the hill again, and proceeded to before I came to, enough to speak.

> hard work to get air. I have had the airpump manned by six men working with all their might, and still I've been obliged to The old residenter has a wife and family living in Blackwols, Eng., none of whom he has seen for years, and from whom he has not heard in some time. Out of his vast earnings he has saved but little-a form of wild land near Manistee, Mich. being about all his possessions. But he is happy, and what more could be desired !-

> > MR. THOS. BRASSEY'S YACHT "SUNBEAM" IN CHINESE WATERS.

HONGEONG AND CANTON:

till 5.80, and then steamed on through the which are private stands and tiffin rooms. lambs, will, we hope, not end like a roaring scenes, just described. Bonaparte alone Howloon passage up to the city of Victoria, came up I bled pretty bad out of the eyes, as it is really named, though it is generally, people come down from Canton, Shanghal, of the Bay of Bengal. We left the yacht given by frequenting society. His smooth in the present condition of the populations cars, toos and mouth. But I felt big, I called Hongkong. The channel is long, Macao, and all sorts of places for them. at 7,30, and went on board the 'Kin-Shan,' tell you, because I hadn't allowed them to and in some places so narrow that it is like Everybody knows everyb going through a mountain pass, with barren to be altogether a most pleasant social with beam angines and many deak-houses, lorehead and the sides of his face; his eyes sedition, and preventing ignorant, foolish,

gone down. He went into her for the pure shipping is immense, and it became a to touch the ground. There was also a them all padicaked in under the hatchways powers of mind. Lastly, as said before, he genius of British statesmanwhip utilizing the pose of resovering her cargo. The bodies difficult tenk to thread our way between the race for Australian horses. But the most and iron gratings. At each opening is was quite destitute of gentlaness or grace, schievements of British valour. It was were of no consequence, he stated. It fleets of sampairs and lunks. The latter amusing syant of all was the last soremble posted an armed sentinel, ready to fire is a singular fact," said be, in substance, are the most extraordinary-looking craft I for Chinese ponies ridden by Chinese boys, smong the crowd in case of any disturbance, larger and is adorned with the that the corpses of women in sunken ever saw, with high, overhanging steems and in which horses and riders seemed to be In the seldon, also, in a stand of pistols, superiority always felt, but by making brightest memorials of English character. vessels always lie face upward, while men roll, or rather draw, up sails, sometimes exactly suited to one another:

are invariably face downwards. The cabin setually made of silk, and philed like a The sun want down, and it grew cold and European passengers to defend themselves the Marquis Henry somewhat happily explainment of this great Imperial.

European passengers to defend themselves the Marquis Henry somewhat happily explainment of this great in the first, and highest duty of of the vessel presented a horrid appearance, lady's not ball dress. Then their decks are the inheritance is The bloated bodies all laid up next the so arowed with himber, live and dead, that walked back to the town, and I want down our clasped in each other's you wonder how the boats can be navigated to the landing-place in solitary state, in the numerous pirstes who occasionally ship and the numerous pirstes and crew, and take possession of the Marques and crew, and take possession of the Marques and the walfare of all her varieties as the numerous of our forwards and the numerous forms. I was passes and crew, and take possession of the Marques and the walfare of all her varieties as the numerous of our forwards and passession and the numerous forms and the numerous of our forwards and passession and the numerous forms and the numerous of our forwards and passession and the numerous passes and the numerous of our forwards and the numerous passes and the numerous passes and the numerous passes are numerous passes and the numerous passes a embres to findy being see beets. The employed are long immediately introduced by a regularistic of the personal first find two years ago in decembers.

that they could not pull them apart boats, pointed at both ends, and provided crowd, each individual member of which a vessel belonging to this same company It's a bad, practice among some divers to with a small awning. They have deep was anxious to extel the merits of his own was assailed in that way i Every one on go through the pockets of corpses that keels; and underneath the floor there is one sampan. The carriage having driven off, board was mardered, and the ship taken to they find, and take all the valuables. I place for a cooking tire, mother for an I was quite alone, and had some difficulty Macao. Two But othis voyage was more have known divers to make thousands of altar, and a third where the children are in dispersing them, and being allowed to prosperous, the captain was most kind and dollars in that way. There is a sort of a stowed to be out of the way. In these enter the sampan I had selected. However, polite, and the best blean and comfortable. pocket in the armor, in which they carry sampans whole families, sometimes five I did succeed at last, and making my Annexosilent breakfast, and an elaborate tools, and I have seen divers come out of generations, live and move and have their boatmen understand that they were to take tiffin were served at moon; all for the sum a wreck in which they had been working, being. I never shall forget my astonish me to the white ship, as the yachte is of four dellars a head, including wine, beer. I notiss one thing, the man who rides on with their pockets filled with gold watches, ment when, going ashdre very early one generally called, returned on board to rest. and spirits additioning in one of these strange craft, the Tuesday, February 27th.—Until half-past On first leaving Hongkong the course lies seat, but the man who rides once a year trash. I dove in Mobile Bay, where I put proprietor lifted up what I had thought was ten we were occupied in the pleasant task between islands and through fine mountain wants at least 4. over 800 chains under an ironalad. The the bottom of the boat, and disclosed three of reading news from home-all good this passes. Later on the country becomes flat Lasting reputashuns are a slow growth. greatest annoyance that we had there was or four children, packed away as tight as time, I am happy to say. At 10.80 we and uninteresting till the Bogue Forts are. The man who wakes up famus sum morning sharks. They didn't hardly dare tackle herrings, while under the seats were half landed and went up the hill to breakfast reached. Here are to be seen the remains is quite apt to go to bed sum night and us, because with our armor we looked a dozen people of larger growth. The with Sir Arthur and Miss Kennedy, and of the old forts knocked down by the French sleep it all off. more like scarecrows than anything else. young mother of the small family generally heard a good deal about the colony. It is and English gone. Friendship don't appear to be anny thing They would come sailing along, and gra- rows with the smallest baby strapped on wonderful to think that thirty years ago it About one o'clock we reached Whampos, more than a bizzness operashun, into which dually swim up towards us with their great to her back, and the next-sized one in her scarpely existed and now it is a large and the leading port of Canton ... The Pearly men put a certain amount by kapital, and big mouths wide open, but when they got arms, whom she is also teaching to row. Houses, with splendid houses, River is too shallow for large steamers to then commence trading upon it. within a few feet of us they would stop and The children begin to row by themselves institutions, roads, and gardens . We were go up any higher; so we stopped here only Young man, husband yure pleazures: lay there flapping their fins and looking, it when they are about two years old. The also most agreeably surprised by the beauty a few minutes to disembark some of the there is not only more fun but more length seemed to me, like the very devil himself. boys have a gourd, intended for a life of the scenery, It is really lovely, and, Chinese passengers, and from this point to the fun in sucking sider thru a straw Finally we devised a way to scare them off preserver, tied round their necks as soon though the hills around are barren, wher- the interesting part of the voyage began. than drinking it out over four-quart that never failed to frighten them so that as they are born. The girls are left to ever-cultivation has been attempted, vegeta- The river, as well as all the little cap- pitcher.

they would stay away an hour or longer their fate, a Chinaman thinking it rather tion appears to flourish luxuriantly. The plementary creeks, was alive with junks Beware of that sli and suspishus kritter, before they dared to come back. The an adaptage to lose a daughter or two climate cannot be very bad, judging by the and sails stuck up in the man who knows there is going to be a

shady trees. Government House is a fine the Hongkong hotel for tiffin. It does not "The deepest water that I was in was | seem a very desirable abode, being large, 168 feet. When one is down so low it is dirty, and ill kept, At one o'clock a bell rang, and the visitors all rushed in and meal by Chinese boys.

> where, on this rocky, hilly island, there ness hospital, and thence to the Chinese could possibly be found a piece of ground recreation ground, where we saw sundry flat enough for a race-course. But the itinerant quacks and vendors of all sorts of mystery was solved when we reached a rubbish. As we were walking along, having speeches of Bonsparte were lucid and spark. lovely little valley, about two miles from left our chairs for a few minutes to look at ling; they were concise, vigorous, full of northerly regions, while its supply is kept the town, where we found a very fair the Chinese shops, a man picked my pocket power and sense, but wanting in feeling. course, about the size of that at Chester, of a one-dollar note. Mr Freer and the The impression excited by this young man the extreme south. The Arctic Sea, being but not so dangerous. The grand stand is Doctor saw, pursued, and caught him. He was a painful admiration; the mind was nearly landlocked and of smaller extent,

healthy look of the residents and troops. every direction, gliding about among the sudden rise in heas' eggs, and kant tell it Our jacket sleeves were fastened around Many of these sampan people have never Typhoons seem to be the greatest drawback. But paddyfields. Such masts and sails as without taking yn out behind the barn to our wrists with an elastic, so that the air set foot on shore in their lives, and this They come without any warning, and it is they are l. The mandarins boats, especially, whisper it in vore car. could not escape. By running my finger water-life of China is one of the most impossible to guard against them and their are so beautifully curved, painted, and I wouldn't give 10 cents a yard for all under the sleeve of my jacket I could let extraordinary features of the country. It disastrous effects, Thousands of lives, and decorated, that they look, more as if they the pedigree in the world; if a man has got the air out, and as it rushed into the water is what strikes all travellers, and so has millions of pounds; worth of property, are were floating about for ornament than for a level head on his shoulders, and an honest destroyed in a few hours. We have been use Just about two o'clock our large harte in hiz body, he haz got all the of bubbles shoot up. So whenever those A lieutenant from the flag ship came on shown some of the effects of a very severa steamer, was brought up close alongside pedigree i am in search by. infernal sharks would come prowling around board and piloted us into a snug berth, typhoon that occurred in 1874. It seems the wooden pier as easily as a skiff, but it I am allwas a little suspishus by the old I would hold out my arm toward them, and, among the men-of-war, and close to the almost incredible that the mere force of must require some skill to navigate this phellow who iz forever preaching morality putting my finger under the elastic of my shore, where we were immediately sur- the wind can snap iron posts in two, break crowded river without accident. On the and the 10 commandments is often find jacket alseve. I would let a lot of air out, rounded by sampais, and pestered by granite columns, and blow off heavy roofs. shore was an excited, vociferating crowd, that hiz morality dates no further bak than and send a stream of bubbles into the pertinacious Chinese clambering on board. After breakfast the ceremony of present- but no one came to meet us; and we had the time that the kandle ov hiz own chark's face, with a hissing noise like steam | The donkey-engine, with well-rigged hose, | ing the departing Governor with a State | begun to wonder what was to become of us | pashuns went out. from a gauge-cock. The way that those soon, however, cleared the decks, bulwarks, umbrella took place. It was a token of what we should do, and whither we should sharks would go scotting off was funny to and gangways, and we were not bothered respect from ten thousand Chinese in go in a strange city, where we did not habitants of Hongkong, and is the greatest know a soul, when we were relieved from "Jack," said the interviewer, "it is said After breakfast we landed on the Praya, compliment that can be paid to any official. our embarrassment by the appearance of that the submarine diving is very profitable a fine quay, extending the whole length of It arrived in a large camphor-wood box, the Vice Consul, who came on board to business; what is the largest salary that the town. On it are situated many of the address, beautifully embroidered in meet a friend. He told us that, owing to large stores, offices, and markets of the gold thread and silk, was enclosed in a an expected ball, tall the houses were unwas working for Otis & Brothers, city. The streets are wide and handsome, magnificent, sandal-wood box about four benelly full, and that not one of the people getting out bales of cotton. I was to have and the buildings in European style, with feet long, govered with the richest carving, who had been written to could take us in. sway, you wanted me to spin a yarn about \$5 a day, work or play, and \$5 for every | deep verandahs and arcades, all built of Precisely at twelve some forty vermillon. This was rather bad news, but we felt sure bale of cotton that I got out. I worked stone. The town is built on the side of a coloured visiting cards were handed in that something would turn up. Ireland, in March, 1818. I went to sea about six hours one day, and got out 485 hill, with ferny, moss-covered banks, with the name of each member of the We landed, and, after proceeding a short when I was between 9 and 10 years old. I bales of cotton. My income that day was overhung by tropical trees, close to some deputation written in Chinese and English distance along the dirty street, came to a sailed almost all over the world. I went \$2,430. I tell you, I have made enough of the principal offices. At the back are characters, The visitors were all received bridge with iron gates, which were thrown to the West Indies and to the East Indies. to buy and sell many a rich man in this the mountains, the peak overhead, with the in a large drawing room, whilst we ladies been by the sentry. After crossing a dirty I saw considerable of war, too. I sailed on town; but bless you! I could never keep signal station on the top, always busily at observed the proceedings through the doors stream we found ourselves in the foreign work, making and answering signals with leading from a smaller room. It is not settlement Shameen it is called walking I have had several narrow escapes from flags as ships and junks enter or leave the considered etiquette by the Chinese for on nice turi, under the take of fine trees. Joan D'Arc, and received a medal for bra- drowning," said Jack, as he re-lighted his harbour. Soldiers and sailors abound in ladies to appear at these public ceremonies. The houses of the merchants which line wery while there. I sailed on the frigate ancient and much-tanned pipe, but about the streets; and if it were not for the After it was all over, a stroll through the this promenade are all fine, handsome, the closest call was when I was workin' in sedan-chairs and palanquins, in which town, and a look at the shops; filled up the stone buildings, with deep verandahs. At the waterworks crib in Cleveland. You see everybody is carried about by Chinese rest of the time in the morning, until we the back there are compounds with kitchen. boat. Finally I went aboard the steamer much depends on having a good signal- coolies with enormous hats, one might went on board to fetch the children for an gerdens, and under the trees dairy cows. tender. I can tell when some one else beside easily fancy oneself at dear old Gib., so expedition up the Peak to the signal are grazing. Every household appears to the regular eignal-man steps up and takes much do these dependencies of the Crown station. As usual many visitors came on supply itself with garden and farm produce, hold of the line. So can any good diver, for in foreign countries resemble one another, board the yacht, and it was later than we and the whole scene has a most English, said—in sport, you know—that I didn't that matter. There was the diver that even in such opposite quarters of the had intended before we could make a start. home-like appearance. We went first to I had to be carried up the steep ascent in a the Vice Consul, and then to the Jardine divin' after all. We had several with us, pany when they were building the abutments | We were very anxious to leave the yacht | chair, but the children and dogs thoroughly | Hong. All the business houses retain the you know. We were raisin' a wreck in the of their new bridge across the Manmee. here and to go up to Canton; but we find enjoyed themselves scampering about. The names of the firms to which they originally English Channel. It was the wreck of an He, by the way, was paid \$40 a day for there is no possible hotel at the latter place. little ones picked heaps of flowers and ferns. belonged, even when they have passed into

> which a large party of China merchants. Tom vigorously protested against not being To-day, for the first time, we have heard came as a deputation to invite Tom to fix allowed to use his own legs, but everybody grave merchants, in their counting-houses, unusual compliment, partly because they submit to being carried. No Chinaman,

From the Praya we went up the hill to is dirty and crowded in spite of its wide sights of the most disgusting description "Yes, they does; and they often gives proprietors painted all across them. The is the cleanest of them all. What the theatre is in the middle of the city, and was dirtiest must be like is therefore beyond densely crowded. A box had been reserved my imagination. The suburbs of the city. for us, for the ordinary seats are like a where all sorts of cheap eating-shops carpenter's bench. On the floor of the abound where the butchers and fishmonhouse men and women sat together, but in gers expose the most untempting-looking the galleries the men sat apart, and there morsels for sale, and where there are were separate boxes for the women. The hampers of all sorts of nasty-looking comacting was rough, and accompanied by the pounds, done up ready for the buyer of the most discordant music. The scenery seemed smallest portion to take home—are surface. Down to 100 fathoms it cools took their places at various little tables, of an excessively radimentary description, especially revolting. The Chinese, howand were served with a 'scrambly' sort of as you may imagine when I tell you that a ever poor, like several courses to their steep hill up which the hero and heroine meals, which are served in little bowls on After this, a carriage was sent for us, and climbed with great difficulty was composed a small table to each person, and eaten we drove to the race-course. This is the of five kitchen chairs arranged in a pyramid with chop-sticks, as in Japan. It is fourth and last day of the races, and there on the top of three kitchen tables, held in gratify this taste that what we should think is to be a ball to night to wind up with, to position by men in their ordinary dress. a very minute fish, or a tiny chicken, is which every body seems to be going. The The fugitives were supposed to be a Tartar cut up into half a dozen pieces and sold to drive was a very pleasant one, the road general and his wife, escaping from their several purchasers. presenting a most animated appearance, enemies after a great battle. The fighting with growds of soldiers, sailors, Chinamen, was renewed at intervals with great noise Parsees, Jews, all hurrying along by the and epirit. Some of the costumes were and one or two passengers were killed, and the side of the numerous sedan-chairs and very fine, and cost from 801. to 401. apiece. carriages. We were puzzled to imagine | From the thastre we drove to the Chi-

Hougkong races are a great event, and lien just as we expect to be in the middle seemed to possess the habits and easy air present circumstances of this country, end Jack gave a graphic description of the fills and tooks on either hand; but the most inferior class of the first anaken steamboat combined silver of the bins waters, and red, of the races were capital, the little Chinese is crowded with the most inferior class of sallow coloring that physiologists state to destroying the noble edifice which atill into which he ever went. It was about brown, and yellow hills, is very fine.

The miles from shore that the vessel had Off the town of Victoria the growd of their big riders, whose feet seemed almost on board. It gave us rather a turn to see is, in their opinion, an index of the greatest. That edifice has been slowly reared by the

are very much alike, and are fitted up in an

of large villas and pretty gardens, you The Chinese part of the town stands emerge into a filthy city, full of a seething. quite away from the foreign settlement. It: dirty, population, and where smells and

* I have since been told that only the captain vessel run ashore near, not at Maoso.

(To be continued.)

BONAPARTE'S MANNER, -Generally the

a picture sque object, with its that shed roof, vehemently protested his innocence, but to dansled by the superiority of his talents, appears to have little influence.—London but the heart felt oppressed. There was execution. auburn hair was dressed in a one, it was committed to our charge the clear and

TOSH BILLINGSGATE. When a man gits his harte broke he generally puts it to soak in whisky. The strongest kind ov men are those who

hav got the most weaknesses and kno it. The grate weakness ov most people lays in the fakt that their nabors kno them better than they kno themselfs.

A THRENODY.

"The Akhoond of Swat is dead."-London Papers of January 22.

What, what, what, What's the news from Swat? Sad news. Bad news Comes by the cable led Through the Indian Ocean's bed, Through the Persian Gulf, the Red Sea and the Med-Iterranean-he's dead-The Akhoond is dead !

For the Akhoond I mourn, Who wouldn't? He strove to disregard the message starn, But he Akhoondn't.

Dead, dead, dead: (Sorrow, Swate !) Swats wha hae wi' Akhoond bled, Swats wham he hath often led Onward to a gory bed, Or to victory, As the case might be, Sorrow, Swats ! Tears shed. Shed tears like water

That's Swat's the matter! Mourn, city of Swat, Your great Akhoond is not, But lain mid worms to rot. His mortal part alone, his soul was caught

Your great Akhoond is dead!

Up to the bosom of Mahound. Let Swat bury the great Akhoond With a noise of mourning and of lamentation! Let Swat bury the great Akhoond With the noise of the mourning of the Swat-

(Because he was a good Akhoond)

tish nation ! Fallen is at length Its tower of strength, Its sun is dimmed ere it had nooned, Dead lies the great Akhoond, The great Akhoond of Swat

Miscellaneous.

AN EYE TO THE MAIN CHANCE. The Major-'' You're a very nice fellow, Tommy! Don't most people tell you so?" Tommy-

THE Grand Orient of France, having eliminated the name of the Supreme Being from its proceedings, the Grand Lodge of English Freemasons have opposed such a step, a belief in the Great Architect of the Universe being one of the landmarks of Freemasonry.

OCEAN TEMPERATURE. The temperature of the ocean is invariably highest at the rapidly, more slowly to 500 or 600 fathoms. and with extreme alowness to the bottom, where it is almost uniform. At Bernando Neronha, almost under the Equator, it actually reaches almost to the freezing point at the greatest depth, while at the surface its mean is 21 degrees contigrade and the mean heat of the crust of the earth is not less than 8 degrees centigrade. The explanation of this low bottom temperature is the constant correct of cold water which wells up the deep Atlantic at deep levels from the Antarotic Sea, interrupted only by certain accidental barriers, while the heat of the surface is regulated by other less universal agencies. It is supposed that this constant influx from the south is neutralized by the greater evaporation in the more up by the great deposit of rain and snow in

brilliant speech :-

"I am unwilling to hamper the diffusion of honest thought; but I recognise in the



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Hongkong, March 4, 1878. TO LET.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, May 9, 1878.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-

tions to sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 27th May, 1878, at Noon, on the Premises,—

All that PIECE or PARCEL OF GROUND, situated near the No. 1 Police Station, East Point, and Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 483, Containing 5,000 Square Feet, together with the 6 Houses Built

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Auctioneer. Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

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THE Undersigned has received in structions to sell by Public Auction,

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All those PIECES or PARCELS OF GROUND, situated in Fook-hing Lane, Jardine's Bazaar, East Point, and Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lots Nos. 317, 319, 458, 459, and 460. For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

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> Auctioneer. Hongkong, May 16, 1878.

> > Intimations.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COM-PANY, LIMITED.

TN Accordance with the Articles of Association, the FIRST MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company signed at 8 p.m., on TUESDAY, 28th

Instant.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, May 17, 1878. my28

ORIENTAL SUGAR REFINERY.

THE Undersigned, having effected a LEASE of the above PROPERTY, PLANT, &c., have to request that, until further notice, all COMMUNICATIONS with reference to the Business of the said Refinery be MADE TO THEM, either at their Offices, Queen's Road, or at the Refinery Premises.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, May 23, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

TR. ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAL, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 18th. Houghong, March 4, 1978.

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HONGKONG HUMANE SOCIETY.

TOLUNTEERS are earnestly requested to Enrol themselves on the LIST of this SOCIETY, as the TYPHOON SEASON is at hand and more Working Members are necessary.

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Hongkong, May 17, 1878. HIS IMPERIAL RUSSIAN MAJESTY'S CONSULATE, HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

THE Shipping is hereby notified that Torpedoes have been placed at the entrance of the port of Wladiwostock (in the Littoral province of Eastern Siberia) and that Vessels, previous to entering said port must apply on board the Guardship, which is stationed outside, for an officer, who will pilot them through the dangers. WM. REINERS,

Consul. Hongkong, May 8, 1878.

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NOTICE.

SHIPOWNERS and OTHERS desirous of giving evidence or expressing their Commandant Rolland, will VIEWS on the subject of the "MERCHANT | De despatched for YUKO. SHIPPING CONSOLIDATION BILL," now under HAMA shortly after the arrival of the the consideration of a Special Committee next French Mail from Europe. of the Legislative Council, are invited to notify to the Undersigned the particular Points on which they wish to be heard, in order that an opportunity may be afforded them of being in attendance when the proper time arrives.

By Command, H. E. WODEHOUSE, Clerk of Council.

May 22, 1878.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

23RD MAY, 1878.

TINTIL further orders, DRILLS will take place in the Mornings from 6.30 o'clock to 7.30 o'clock, and AFTERNOONS from 5.30 o'clock to 6.30 o'clock. There will be no Parade on Saturday next Uniform not to be worn on Parade this week. The Day for commencing Parade

in Uniform will be notified. T. C. DEMPSTER. Captain 28th Regt., Commandant

NOTICE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP Co. THE DEPARTURE of the Company's Steamer "CITY OF PEKING" is

unavoidably POSTPONED until further RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 20, 1878. my27

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

NOTICE. THE DEPARTURE of the S. S. "BELGIO" is POSTPONED until

TUESDAY, the 28th Instant, at 3 o'clock G. B. EMORY,

Agent. Hongkong, May 23, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SHANGHAL The Steamship DEVOE'S BRILLIANT G. H. Drewes, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 26th Instant, at 10 a.m.

> For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, May 24, 1878.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY. The Spanish Steamer "EMUY," BLANCO, Master, will be despatched as above on MONDAY Next, the 27th Instant, at 5 p.m.

REMEDIOS & Co.

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Hongkong, May 24, 1878.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

FOR MANILA The Spanish Steamer "SORSOGON," LOPES, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

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Shipping.

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Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Foochow, Or, GEO. R. STEVENS & Co..

Agents.

NOTICE.

Hongkong, May 10, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship

H. DO POUEY. flongkong, May 18, 1878.

NOTIOE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship "YANG-TSE." Commandant RAPATEL, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

> H. DU POUEY. Agens.

Sailing Vessels.

Hongkong, May 18, 1878.

FOR SYDNEY (DIRECT.) The A 1 British Bark "HELENS." INKSTER, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, May 17, 1878,

FOR LONDON. The A I British Bark "DEVANA."

W. May, Master, will load here

and have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, May 1, 1878.

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

the above port on June 6th.

FOR HONOLULU. The A 1 American Bark FRANK MARION."

ELDRIDGE, Master, will load

for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Ship "GREAT ADMIRAL! BENJ. THOMPSON, Master, having the greater portion of her Cargo engaged, will be despatched to

RUSSELL & Co.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 15, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark COLBY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGADORN & Co. Hongkong, May 20, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Bark "P. J. OARGETON," AMESBURY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hopgkong, April 8, 1878.

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UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

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fillis S. S. "BEZGIO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokoname, on TUESDAY, the 28th May, at 2 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghal,

Breight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 27th May. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-SAGE TICKETS. SPECIAL REDUCTIONS granted to Officers of the ARMY and NAVY and to Members of the CIVIL and CONSULAR

SERVICES. For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 87, Queen's Road Control G. B. EMORY, Agent,



Hongkong, May 23, 1878.

STEAM FOR Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancons, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton,

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For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent. Hongkong, May 18, 1878.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and

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CENT on regular rates is granted OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY, AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMIS-BION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., of _____ Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same s required. Consular Invoices to accompany Overland

Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Oustoms at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central. RUSSELL & Co. Agents. Hongkong, May 20, 1878.

notices to Consignees. OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S.

COMPANY.

ROTICE,

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamahip "BELGIC" are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, from whense delivery can be

90th Instant will be subject to rent,

G. B. EMORY, Hongkong, May 28, 1878.

SHIP SIR HARRY PARKES, FROM LONDON,

HE spove-named Vessel having strived, from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged dusted to send in their Bills of Lading to as Translator and General Manager of the the Undersigned for countarnignature, and newspaper, which under its new regime to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Will be found to be, as hitherto an analysis. Vessel will be landed and stored at Con. as the Manager is able to devote his whole signees' risk and expense.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Morghang, May 28, 1976

Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE

THE S. S. Historian having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense,

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, May 20, 1878.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

MONSIGNEES of the Undermentioned Cargo are hereby informed that unless the same be taken delivery of within one month from this date it will be sold to pay expenses.

Ex Argentino, 30th April, 1877, M.....10 Cases. Ex Elgin, 26th May, 1877,

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. 7, Queen's Road,

Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

il, to ash NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

MONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense. No Fige Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY. Ex "Iraquaddy." K (in diamond) 515/24 Order, }

10 cases Worsteds,..... London, Ex "Sindh."

LA 6/7 Order, 2 cases Fire Arms, | Marselles. Hongkong, May 18, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TR. WILLIAM HENRY HARTON, JR., it This Day admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

GILMAN & Co. Hongkong and Foochow. May 1, 1878.

NOTIOE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co. China, March 8, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of M M. S. GUBBAY in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December, 1877.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Shanghai, May 11, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP existing between Mr JOHN G. PURDON and Mr HENRY W. DAVIS in Hongkong and Canton, under the Style of PURDON & Co., is This Day Dissolven by mutual consent; either Partner will Sign in liquidation, and the Business will be carried on by Mr H. W. DAVIS under the Style of DAVIS & Co PURDON & Co.

China, April 30, 1878.

TR. HENRY W. DAVIS retires from, IVI and his Interest and Responsibility CEASED in our Firm at FOOCHOW from the 30th Ultimo; and Messrs JOHN ANDREW MAITLAND and EDWARD PYE HAGUE are admitted PARTNERS therein from This Date.

PURDON & Co. China, May 1, 1878.

MR. JOHN GRAEME PURDON & This Day admitted a PARTNER in This Day admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

MAITLAND & Co. Shanghai, May 1, 1878.

ATR. CHARLES COLE is authorised IVI to Sign our Firm per procuration as

PURDON & Co. Foothor, May 1, 1878.

obtained upon countersignature of Bills of THE Interest and Responsibility of the Lading.

Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, Goods remaining unclaimed after the F H & (Wah Ises Yat Po), Oth Instant will be subject to rent.

No West Instant and hear effected.

OEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

OHOM AYIN. Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

TN Reference to the shove, the Undersigned has Links the Chines Mail Consignees of Cargo by her are re the services of Mr Lzone Yook Chun, Cargo impeding the discharge of the collent medium for advertising assessally attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

RONG OHIM. Lected of the Hangkong Chinau Mail. Happings April 9, 1978.

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Agents. Hongkong, May 10, 1878.

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OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents, Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY. THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurences at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents, Boyal Insurance Company, Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

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OFFICE, Nos. 8 and 9, Praya West. Hongkong, August 28, 1877.

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Scerciary. Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to Discount of 20% on the Premia.

NORTON & Co., Agents, Hongkong, January 1, 1874,

Intimations.

W. BALL.

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TAROM and after the Chinese New Year's day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese Mail will be issued DAILY instead of Ter-WEEKLY as heretofore. No change, however, will be made in the price of subscription, which will remain at \$4 per annum. The charges for advertisements are now assimilated to those of the China Mail

The unusual success which has attended the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable medium for advertisors. The Conductors guarantee an eventual circulation of one thousand copies. It is already the most influential native fournal published, and enjoys considerable prestige at the Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francisco and Australia.

China Mail Office, 17th February, 1874.

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Books Wanted, Exchanges, dec. China Mail Office, Hongkong, May 18, 1878.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

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TWO cents a character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character THE Undersigned are prepared to grant beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms

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(Revised Nov. 9th, 1877.)

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Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or

N.R. means No Registration.

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The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, the United States, Brazil, India (including Ceylon, the Straits, and Aden), Japan, Egypt, Labuan, Mauritius, Seychelles, Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana and Bermuda, with all French, Danish, Netherlands, Fortuguese, and Spanish Colonies

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1st. The publication must consist wholly or in great part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto, or to other current topics, with or without advertise-

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3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every aubsequent page; and this regulation applies to Tables of Contents and Indices.

4th. A supplement must consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, unstitched; or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper. The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page; or, if it consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side.

A packet containing two or more newspapers is not chargeable with a higher rate of postage than would be chargeable on a book packet of the same weight.

A newspaper posted unpaid, or a packet of newspapers posted either unpaid or insufficiently paid, is treated as an unpaid or insufficiently paid book packet of the same weight

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No newspaper can now be sent through the post a second time for the original postage. For each transmission a fresh postage is required.

Every newspaper must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily in-

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet be sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

A book-packet may contain any number of separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass or any like substance) drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing upon; and the books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, enbinding, mounting, or covering of a book, de, or of a portion thereof, is allowed whether such binding, &c. be loose attached; as also rollers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, pens or pencils in the case of pocket-books, &c. and, in short, whatever is necessary for the safe transmission of such articles, or usually appertains thereto; but the binding, rollers,

&c. must not be sent as a separate packet, Circulars, -i.e., letters which are intended for transmission in identical terms to several persons, and the whole or the greater part of which is printed, engraved, or lithographed, -may also be sent by

book post. But a book-packet may not contain any letter, or communication of the nature of letter (whether separate or otherwise) unless it be a circular-letter or, be wholly printed; nor any enclosure sealed or in any way closed against inspection; nor any other enclosure not allowed by Rule 3. this rule be infringed, the entire packet is charged as a letter.

A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise), or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination otherwise it is treated as a letter. For the greater security of the contents, however, it may be tied at the ends with string Postmasters being authorised to cut the string in such cases, although if they do so they must again tie up the packet.

No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length, 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth. unless it be sent to or from one of the the system of Registration will secure the

Government offices. When, owing to a great and unusual bability of loss. influx of letters, books, &c., the transmission or delivery of the letters would be found these facilities with a Parcel Post to delayed if the whole mall were dealt with Europe, &c., which does not exist. without distinction, book-packets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

The limit of size for a book-pasket addressed to any place abroad is 24 Inches

They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable a value of its own, apart from its mare use as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent ostensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrin-

Pattern and Sample Post to colonies and foreign countries is restricted to bond fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise. Goods sent for sale, or in execution of an order (however small the quantity may be) or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual

patterns or camples, are not admissible. Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be cent in covers open at the ends. and in such a manner as to be easy of examination. But samples of seeds, drugs, and such like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind, -but such articles only,-may be posted enclosed in hozes, or epopulation are obliterated in this Office.

in such a manner that they may be readily opened; or, in the case of seeds, &c., for the United States of America, Holland, and its possessions, Belgium, Denmark, Greece, Portugal and its possessions, and Switzerland, in tags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so as to enable the Officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark oz number, and the price of the articles.

Samples of intrinsic value must not be sent to any foreign country except United States; and in the case of France samples of eider down, raw or thread silk, woollen or goats' hair thread, vanilla, saffron carmine, or isinglass, are considered to fall under this rule if they weigh more than three ounces; and up to this weight raw and spun silk, as well as coloured and twisted silk, may be sent to Germany.

The rule which forbids the transmission

tarough the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bage or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted' as Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz : Metal boxes, porcelain and China, truit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp pointed instruments, samples of metals, samples of ore, samples in glass bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, ourry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confectionery of all

Such articles as scissors, knives, razora, forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail bags and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples to the tollowing countries, but to these alone viz., the Azores, Belgium, Cape de Verd Islands, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Holland, Madeira, Moldavia, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United States, Wallachia, and the British Colonies.

Indigo cannot be sent to any place abroad. A packet of patterns or samples sent to the Azores, Cape de Verd Islands, France, Madeira, Portugal, or by French packet, to Turkey, Syria, or Egypt, must not exceed 18 inches in length, width, depth; a packet to any other place abroad must not exceed 24 inches in length or 12 inches in width or depth.

To provide the greatest possible facilities for posting Correspondence for Europe, de, up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters-except those to und through Australia-from 11.16 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. Each letter must bear a late fee

of 18 cents extra postage. The above arrangement is intended to meet occasional emergencies, and not for graved, lithographed, or plain, or any the regular posting of extensive correspon- that, whenever the bag has in the course of notice to the Post Office of the departures mixture of these. Further, all legitimate desce. Should it be found, therefore, that Ite transmission to be transferred by means large and unmanageable numbers of letters are habitually thrown upon the Department at the last moment, a heavier late fee will be imposed.

> A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee will also be 18 cents.

Miscellaneous Notices.

Local Parcel Post. 1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the British Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Pakhoi, Singapore, Penang, and Malacca. They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than 5lbs. The postage will be 20 cents per lb., which will include Registration. The parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTER, but any parcel may be opened by direction of

the Postmaster General. 2. The following cannot be transmitted Parcels insufficiently packed or protected or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes, &c.) Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice, Meat. Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

8. Parcels will as a general rule be forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to, retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, but senders against any but a very remote pro-

4. The public are cautioned not to con-

Mails exchanged with Manila and Saigon.

should be delivered free there.

Destination, any tax or duty other than" the recognised rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching or apparently extra charge, will at once be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, in either Colony.

the same course. Complaints are sometimes received of

between this Colony and Saigon, but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, don bad been sent loose. Any Foreign stamps on lobto corraIndian Correspondence.

Indian Mail Packets. The Propsyment of correspondence for the Straits, India, Ceylon, and Aden is compulsory by whatever opportunity it is

Registration to Bangkok.

Her Britannic Majesty's Consul General for Siam has been good enough to make arrangements by means of which correspondence can be Registered to Bangkok, at the usual charge of 8 cents.

Soldiers and Sailors Letters. Privates in H. M. Army or Navy, Noncommissioned Officers, * Army Schoolmasters (not superintending or First Class) or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom via Southampton by British Packet, for one penny; or via Brindisi by British Packet for three-pence. Hongkong stamps will prepay this class of correspondence exactly the same as Imperial

Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are, however, charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations :-1. Not to exceed half an ounce. No

double letters are allowed. the letter, and the commanding Officer must sign his name, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full. 3. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or

* But not Warrant Officers, viz., Assistant Engineer, Gunner, Boatswain, or Carpenter.

name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

Communication with Batavia. The Netherlands India Packets leave Singapore fortnightly, and are fitted to the arrival of the outward P. & O. Mail from

The French Packts for Batavia wait at Singapore for the Packet from China and run fortnightly.

It follows that, to forward Correspondence to Batavia with the least delay, the following are the best opportunities :--In the S.W. Monsoon. The English Mail.

The French Mail. In the N.E. Monsoon. A Private Steamer a few days before the English Mail. The French Mail.

The Post Office is not, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-sending, or mis-delivery of any letter, book, or other postal packet (even if the packet be registered); nor is the Post Office responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission,

To guard against such injury all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be placed in strong covers; and even with this precaution no fragile article should be sent through the Post. It should be remembered that every packet has to be handled several times: that it is exposed to considerable pressure and friction in the mail bag ; and

No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a Post Office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no other way is official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may. however, give an address if he has no reason to believe that the person whose address it is would disapprove of his doing so.

Postmasters are not allowed to return any letter or other packet to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address, even though a request to such effect be

written thereon. Postmasters are not bound to give change nor are they authorised to demand change and when money is paid at a Post Office. whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

Postmasters are not bound to weigh any letters or other packets for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby

The practice of sealing letters passing to and from the East and West Indies, and other countries with hot climates, with wax (except such as is specially prepared), is attended with much inconvenience, and frequently with serious injury, not only to the letters so sealed but to the other letters in the mail, from the melting of the wax and adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in al such cases, to use either wafers or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to, to do the same. "

The registration of a packet makes its transmission much more secure, inasmuch as, under ordinary circumstances, a registered packet can be traced through its whole course ; and thus the loss of a registered packet is a very rare occurrence. Neverthe less large sums of money or other articles The Philippine Islands being now admit of great value should not be sent through ted into the General Postal Union, it fol- the post, even if the packet be registered; as lows that all paid correspondence received the machinery of the Department is not from Manila in the mails will a delivered arranged with a view to such transmission, free by this Office, and that all paid cor By law, the Post Office is not responsible respondence sent to Manila in the mails for the safe delivery of registered packets though any officer who may neglect his Article IX of the Postal Treaty of Berne duty on this point will be called to strict nature, and indeed whatever may have provides that "Neither the senders nor the account. Bent in unregistered letters, valuaddressees of letters and other postal able articles are exposed to risk, and offer packets shall be called upon to pay, either temptation which ought not to be created in the Country of Origin, or in that of and the Department cannot in any way undertake the safe conveyance of such packets. All inland or colonial letters. therefore, which contain coin, and al Office. It is hoped that any extra charge, inland letters which contain watches of jawallery, even though they be posted without registration, are treated as register. ed, and charged on delivery with a double The above does not apply in any to loose registration fee of eightpence in addition to letters sent outside the mails. These will the ordinary postage; and any such letters always be charged on arrival in Hongkong which cannot be registered in time to be and probably the Manila Office will stopt forwarded by the Mail for which they are posted are detained for the next despaich. Even if the letter do not contain any article extra charges on correspondence exchanged of intrinsit value, it should, if it be very important, be registered.

wards Correspondence baying joined the

General Postal Union or being probably Unpaid Letters are not received for the about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as

Books and Papers to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 2 lbs. Patterns-to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz. :

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as Parcel Post, Much trouble and disap pointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, 2. If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class Fancy Work, and similar presents are conor description must be stated in full on tinually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the description must be stated in full, with nature of the contents was discovered.

PATTERNS. -Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Pattern. It is a bond fide sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with shewing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however, in either direction, Money-Orders must be

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$25 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, as no separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

The Postmaster or Agent may postpone purchasing if his public funds in hand are not sufficient, and he will refuse to purchase in any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent on all Stamps purchased. Letters containing Stamps should be

Registered, and the Stamps should be

secured from observation.

During the N.E. Monsoon, the Charterers and Agents of sailing ships for Manila, Saigon and Bangkok are requested to give

of the railway apparatus, the risk of injury No correspondence will be forwarded by sailing vessel but such as is specially so

Money Order Regulations.

1.-Money Orders on the United Kingdom are issued at Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama. Shanghai and Yokohama also issue on Hongkong and vice versa.

2.—Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage

3.—Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order* is filled up. and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departures of the mails.

4.-No order must exceed £10, or include any fraction of a penny. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day! and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

The commission is as follows :-Orders on the United Kingdom,

Up to £2..... 18 cents. £10.......72 ,, Local Money Orders. , 60...........80 ,,

5.-Lists of Money Order Offices in the

United Kingdom may be consulted at Hongkong, Shanghal, and Yokohama. 6. Names must be given in full (expect when there is more than one Christian name) but the name of the Payee need not be given if the order be crossed (as cheques are crossed). It can then be paid only through a Bank, and may afterwards be specially crossed to any Bank.

7.-No order can be paid till the Pavee have signed it in the proper place. An order can be transferred to another office on payment of an additional commission. In case of loss of an order, necessity for stopping payment, or the like, application should be made to the nearest Money Order Office for instructions. 8 .- If the order be not presented within

six months an additional commission will be charged; if not within twelve months, the money will be forfeited. When the order is once paid no further claim can be entertained. 9.- No order can be paid until the advice

relative to it has been received. Made out on a printed form which is supplied

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour. Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.	HONGKONG MARKET PRICES. Corrected to Saturday, May 25, 1878.	Shrimps,
	At 1130 Cash per Dollas Mexican, Pasen. Bighest. Lower. Chinese Names, Gath. Cash.	Boles, Fresh , 120 110 權沙魚 Tench, 100 90 皖魚
To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked k., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.	Butcher Meat.	Turiles, small, fresh water,, 350 800 脚魚
Section. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works. Section. 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.	Bacon, English, 1b. 400 350 來路烟猪肉, Ame. Sugar cured, . 800 250 花旗烟猪肉	Whiting,
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office. 7. From Naval Yard to the Plex. 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office. 8. From Pier to East Point.	"Foothow, ., 200 180 福州坳猪肉	Fruits. 其子 Aleurites, catty 60 50 石栗
Vessel's Name. Sig. Captain. Flag and Rig. Tons. Date of Arrival. Consignees or Agents. Destination. Remarks.	Beef Corned, catty 150 140 属作风 Beef Corned, catty 150 140	Apples, Australian, , 350 800 新金山平築 Bananas, fragrant Punti, , 40 80 香蕉
ANGERIT	,, Rosat, , 160, 140 燒牛肉 ,, Soup, 100 90 場內	Chestnuts,
America	"Steak,, 160 140 牛肉耙	Citron, , 100 60 香緑 Coccanuta
Argentino	Bullooks' Brains, per set 50 40 牛脑 , Tongue, fresh, each 320 300 牛脉	Currents, bottle 820 — 細葡提
Bertha	,, corned., 330 310 版年版 ,, Head, ,, 550 500 牛頭	Dates, bottle 500 400 洋泉
Camoes	,, Heart, ,, 160 140 牛心	Guavas, catty 60 50 71 kg
Dago	Hump, Salt catty 160 140 十月 ,, Feet, each 50 40 牛川	Lichees, Dried, , 100 80 機樣 Lichees, Dried, , 200 180 基校数
Fame	,, Kidneys, ,, 80 70 午腰 Tail, 110 100 牛尾	,, Green,, 80 70 荔枝 Loong Ngan, Dried,, 400 800 在眼底
Fitzpatrick	Liver, catty 100 90 牛肝, Tripe (undressed), catty 60 50 牛肚	Mangoes, Manila, each 100 90 日末世集 Canton, catty 60 50 少城並前
Java	Calvon' Head and Feet, set 600 500 牛仔頭脚	, Saigon, each 50 40 安南世東
Malacca	"Chinese, , 200 180 金華火腿	Mangosteen, Singapore, ,, 50 40 山竹子 Musk Melons, catty 40 30 香瓜
Boa Gull	Mutton Chop,	Oranges, (Coolie) Chang catty 150 120 省份 Olives, green, 100 80 富山場
Tigre	,, Leg, ., 180 160 羊肚	Papaw, 60 50 18 未瓜
Yottung	Pige Chitlings,	Peaches, 60 60 冷飯桃 Pears, Shantung, 110 100 山東雪梨
Aldebaran	"Fry, 100 90 猪脚 "Fry, 110 100 猪雞	Pine-apples, each 100 70 波顯
Anna Sieben	,, Heart,	Plantains, common . catty 25 20 少春
August Friedrich	, Kidneys, , 70 60 猪腰 ,—	Plums, 30 25 和本理 Prunes, Dried, bottle 800 250 数本程
Brisbane	n, Liver,	Pumeloes, each 100 80 香棚 Raisins, Muscatel, bottle 600 500 珠提覧
Ceylon	, Corned, , 160 150 鹹猪肉 Leg. 160 150 猪肶	,, Pudding, . 1b. 200 150 珠提乾
Devana	, Fat or Lard, , 120 110 精油	Rose Apples, catty 80 60 葡萄 Strawberry, Arbutus ,, 60 50 楊梅
Falcon	Sheeps' Head, and Feet, set 400 850 羊頭脚 , Heart,	Tamarinds, 60 50 [12]—子 Walnuts, 110 100 核核状
Forward	,, Kidneys,, 80 70 羊腰 ,, Liver,, 140 180 羊肝	Water Chesnuts , 80 70 馬蹄
Gonevieve	Sucking Pigs	Vegetables. 菜蔬
H. G. Johnson	Sweet Bread, catty 140 130 牛核 Veal, catty 160 140 牛仔肉	Asparagus, tin 450 400 龍鬚菜 Bamboo Shoots, catty 70 60 竹笋
Hermann	Poultry. 生口	Beans, sprout,
Jessie Jamieson	Capons, eathy 250 200 鐵鍋 Doves, each 110 100 班鳩	,, Long, Dollchos, ,, 40 30 豆角
Marie Louise	Ducks,	Beet Root, each 20 10 紅菜項 Brassica,
Norseman	Eggs, Hen	Cabbage, Hongkong, , , 150 70 香港椰菜 , , Macao, , , 150 70 澳門椰菜
Nyassa	Geese, 150 140 抗量 Partridges, each 800 280 臨時	" red for pickling " 100 80 紅椰菜
Peri	Pheasants, Canton, live, pair \$1.75 1.50 省城山鶏 Pigeons, each 150 140 白鴒	,, Turnip,, 25 20 芥鼠頭 Oarrots, catty 70 60 紅蘿蔔
Regulus	Quail, , , 150 120 鶴鶉	Celery, Chinese, , , 40 30 本地片菜 Celery, English, , 100 - 來路芹菜
Sarah Nicholson	Rabbits, live, Canton . " 700 600 自然外元 Turkeys, Cook, . catty 400 300 火鷄公	Chilies, Dried,
Sir Harry Parkes 2 o Chapman Brit. sh. 816 May 22 Douglas Lapraik & Co. St. Anne	,, Hen. ,, 300 280 火鷄堰	, Red, , 70 60 紅辣椒
Sully	Bombay Ducks, new per hundred 200 180 日 色数	Ourry Stuff, English, . , 60 50 加里材料
Thomas Bell	Bream, . catty 110 100	Garlie, 80 25 宏观 Ginger, 25 20 星
Uzzlah	Codfish, Salt, , 140 — 鹹魚魚	,, Young , , 40 80 子臺 Gourd, snake , 80 20 茶瓜
Atalanta	Crabs, , 100 50 盤 Cuttle Fish, 80 70 墨魚	Green Peas, old 100 - 老荷豆
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Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.		Mint, bunch 10 — 開荷 Mushroom, dried, catty 400 850 杏信
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Mosquito	Gudgeon, 100 90 白蛤魚	Paraley, Chinese,, 70 60 芫荽 Linglish, . bunch 10 5 洋芫荽
Nassau	Gurnard, , , , , 120 110 紅角 Haddock, , , , 120 110 黄美幽	Potatoes, Macao, . catty 80 25 上海整仔
Swinger	Herrings, fresh . " 100 90 黄澤	,, Bweet, ,, 19 10 眷屬
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